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British Threaten Benghazi As Rome Rushes Reserves

Desperate Italian Bid on All Fronts Expected in London

London, Jan. 31.

WHILE British forces early today pressed toward Appolonia, 40 miles west of Derna, which was captured yesterday, military authorities here disclosed that fresh Italian reserves had been thrown into fighting fronts in Albania, Kenya and Italian Somaliland.

Two British columns were said to be advancing towards Benghazi, most powerful and vital Italian stronghold in Libya.

A review of the general military situation revealed that the Italians were making desperate bids on all fronts.

"Italian tactics in Albania recently have changed," said military authorities. "They have been launching a series of counter-attacks in attempts to regain the initiative, but they were not very successful. The Greeks repulsed all attacks and achieved new, although small, gains."

Although the War Office lacked confirmation, the Italians were said to be evacuating Tepeleni. "It is not inherently improbable, as the Greeks have been hammering that salient from the west," said reliable military sources.

Italian military resistance at Derna was stronger than at Sollum, Bardia and Tobruk, military authorities revealed, presumably because Italian troops there previously had not engaged in any battles and were fresher.

Sudan Pressure Kept Up

The British advance in the northern Sudan continued, it was said, with pressure being kept up on Agordat and Barentu. To the south, Italians were said to be still resisting from Amhagar.

Military authorities said British troops were nearing Moyale, which the British evacuated last summer and added "the Italians are making a stand there."

The British also were said to be well within the border of Italian Somaliland and were not meeting much opposition.

The battle of Benghazi appeared to be the next big item on Britain's African offensive, with two British columns advancing on the Libyan stronghold.

Dash Across Desert

The main body of troops, under General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief of British Forces in the Middle East, cutting across the desert, while a smaller body of forces, streaming out along the good but longer coast road, skirted the Mediterranean.

The smaller forces yesterday completed capture of Derna, and the two columns were expected to rendezvous in front of Benghazi for a mass assault on the most difficult objective yet in the African war.

Benghazi was said to be defended by 50,000 Italian troops. The military spokesman at Cairo last night described as "nonsense" a suggestion that the British would make a triumphant march straight to Benghazi.—United Press.

Derna Loss Admitted

London, Jan. 31.

An Italian high command communique today admitted the evacuation of Derna "in order to avoid serious losses." The communique added that the garrison withdrew south and west and there "brought to a standstill an attack by Australian troops."

The announcement also stated that German planes carried out bombardment of Suez and Ismael.—Reuter.

Difficult Terrain

At General Headquarters for the Middle East, Jan. 31.

With the British advance continuing after the fall of Derna, the terrain is becoming increasingly were difficult.

The British mechanized forces no longer have a flat desert over which to advance, and owing to hills and ravines they are forced to remain largely on the main roads.

There are many points between Derna and Benghazi where a determined enemy would be able to make a stand if he desired. It may thus be expected that the rate of the British advance will slow down.

The little fishing port of Derna fell exactly a week after Tobruk was taken by the Imperial forces, following an operation which lasted three days.

Many Escape

There was no zero hour as at Tobruk and Bardia. Instead, the British and Australian troops first captured outposts, then mopped up the final resistance and drove out the

[Reuter.

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British Drive in Abyssinia Told

First Motor Expedition Attempted in Country Cuts Steadily Ahead

"Somewhere in Abyssinia, Jan. 31. "I am riding in a lorry at the head of an armed convoy of the British Military Motor Transport Service. The convoy includes two British sergeants, one of whom before the war was a motor engineer from the East End of London while the other came from Cambridge. With the convoy also is the Ethiopian representative of the Emperor.

"One of the heroes of the campaign will be a 32-year-old Lieutenant who, the only Englishman with two hundred Ethiopian patriots, is following in the tracks of the convoy, laying the first British-made road in order to attack the enemy's vital centre. He does not speak a word of his companies' language, but he is doing a fine if somewhat heartbreaking job.

"The lorry leading the convoy in which I am riding is leading the first motor expedition ever to penetrate the interior of Abyssinia from this region. The lorry is fitted with bumpers for knocking down trees, and we are cutting as nearly as possible a straight line through the bush on a compass bearing.

"I am typing this despatch before sunrise in a rocky river bed, surrounded by massive, grotesque outcrops of black rock, the haunt of strange wild birds and game of every conceivable species, while we wait for two hundred Abyssinians armed with spears and axes to hack down trees and lay the track up a precipitious sandy river bank.

Lions Cause Alarm

"The vast wilderness of bush is so waterless and so fever-riden during the summer that no human being has ever set foot here before us. The undergrowth is trampled down by game, including beasts of the rarest species.

"Early this morning the camp was aroused by shots fired by a sentry, but the troops tumbled out to a false alarm. The sentry was not firing at the enemy but blazing away to scare off five lions which were prowling around the camp.

"At the end of each day's journey, before turning into sleep under mosquito nets, anti-aircraft pits are dug for the camp's defences. As to weapons, the officers and non-commissioned officers are armed with "Tommy" guns, and the Ethiopian guard with rifles. Some of the expedition's machine-guns were captured from the Italians."—Reuter.

Positions Bombed

London, Jan. 31.

One of the most successful, operations carried out by the South African Air Force on three successive days, dealing a crippling blow to the Italians without loss on their part, is described in a cable from Nairobi.

As a result of these operations a car park at Neghelli, housing over 150 vehicles, has been completely gutted. Yavello aerodrome has sustained severe damage, one Caproni being destroyed and many others damaged.

At Sciasciamanna over 250 miles beyond the frontier and half-way to Addis Abbaba, six other Italian aircraft were destroyed or seriously damaged.

Pilots of the two squadrons flew hundreds of miles over a wilderness inhabited by hostile factions—over a distance on some occasions longer than the Royal Air Force cover when they bomb Berlin.

Natives Employed

Mechanical transport companies from the Cape Colony are being employed against the Italians in East Africa.

These companies, it is learned, consist of units of South African coloured men whose work closely approximates that of the Pioneer Corps in England. They are principally engaged in constructing roads and clearing others to ensure speedy and smooth transport.—Reuter.

Athens States Tepeleni May Fall Soon

Italians Reported to Be Evacuating Stronghold

Athens, Jan. 31.

Italian forces which for weeks have resisted a fierce Greek assault on Tepeleni, Fascist stronghold in south-central Albania, yesterday began to evacuate the town under intensive Greek pressure, a military official confirmed yesterday.

The Greek radio heard at Budapest, in a summary of Greek actions on the Albanian front yesterday stated that Italian troops had been dislodged on the central front, bringing the Greek forces close "to an important Italian base. On the northern front, the Greeks parried an Italian offensive on a wider scope, the radio said.

Local Greek attacks also were advantageous, it added.

"In local successful action, we have captured some enemy positions," the War Ministry reported yesterday.

"Two hundred were taken prisoner, including seven officers."

"All is quiet in the interior of the country," the Ministry of Public Security communique said.—United Press.

Successes Claimed

London, Jan. 31.

New Greek successes on the Albanian battlefront, with heavy Italian casualties in both killed and wounded are announced by the Greek Press Ministry, according to the Athens radio.

Outlining the operations for the past 24 hours, the statement declared that in one sector Greek detachments launched a successful attack and dislodged Italian troops with heavy casualties to the latter. This operation brought the Greek forces into close proximity of "an important military base held by the Italians."

On the northern front an important offensive action of a wider scope than the usual local activity was undertaken. Local attacks in this area also resulted in valuable advantages to the Greek forces.

In other sectors the Greek artillery inflicted great losses on the Italians at points where they were about to organize counter-attacks. In the area north of Klissura, the Greeks are slowly but steadily pushing back the enemy.

The Ministry added that according to a cable sent by the Athens correspondent of the "New York Herald Tribune," Italian losses in Albania already exceeded 60,000 men.—Reuter.

Corizis to Follow Metaxas' Policy

Athens, Jan. 31.

"We have only to follow the policy traced by General Metaxas," said Mr. Corizis, the new Prime Minister, in a statement to the press, in which he paid a tribute to the dead statesman.

The statement continued: "We are certain that the entire Greek people which placed confidence in him, giving him the means to accomplish his great task, will also give us their support and strength to lead and carry on the historic fight of our race to a good end."—Reuter.

Important Meeting of Canadian Cabinet Held

Reports by Munitions and Defence Ministers Heard

Ottawa, Jan. 31.

After three days of almost constant meetings of the War Committee of the Canadian Cabinet, to which reports were given by Colonel J. L. Ralston and Mr. C. D. Howe, Defence and Munitions Ministers respectively, on their visits to Great Britain, the Prime Minister, Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, called a full meeting of the Cabinet yesterday.

It was expected that the meeting would consider a number of important recommendations from the War Committee, particularly regarding the dispatch of trained personnel overseas and the production of munitions.—Reuter.

Quezon Midnight Closing Order Booed

Manila, Jan. 31.

Hundreds of merry-makers, among whom were Mr. Francis B. Sayre, United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, the highest Philippine Commonwealth officials and U.S. Army and Navy officers, booed long and loud at midnight last night when police halted the Roosevelt birthday ball at that hour.

The police halted the ball because of the recent executive order by President Manuel Quezon that all public dancing in Manila had to stop at midnight on week days but could continue until 2 a.m. on Saturdays and holidays.

The Roosevelt birthday ball was the first major event affected by the order. The police carried out their orders, but their action was booed by the angry guests.—United Press.

Only Single Raiders Appear Over London; One Nazi Machine Downed

Shops and Houses Damaged, But Casualties Small; Germans Given Hot Reception in Attack on Dover

London, Jan. 31.

London experienced another day of intermittent air-raid alerts following Wednesday night's fire-bomb attack, which was again defeated by civilians.

German aircraft operating singly dropped bombs in the London area and in parts of south-east England and East Anglia.

Some houses and shops were damaged, but it is officially stated that the number of casualties so far reported is small.

During one alert, houses in three streets were damaged, and women and children were trapped in debris. Here some fatal casualties occurred. One bomb fell in a street, another near a tram track, and a third near the gates of an industrial building.

German fighters over Dover revertedto their pastime of last summer shooting at a barrage balloon. A thick fog and low cloud, above which the balloons floated, obscured the raiders from anti-aircraft defences, but they were given a hot reception. Some balloons were shot down.

One German plane was destroyed by British fighters in the afternoon over Essex.

Other reports of yesterday's air raid show that bombs were dropped in an East Midlands town. Some damage was done to buildings but there were few casualties. So far there has been no alert in London since night fall.

Well informed quarters are unable to correlate a German claim regarding attacks on north-east London with known facts and state that the claim likely refers to machine-gunning of civilians in one London district yesterday.—Reuter.

German "Ace" Shot Down

From the "notches" on his plane the pilot of this Messerschmitt was one of the German "aces," as he claims to have shot down seven Allied planes. However, he met his end during a flight over England, where the R.A.F. proved too good for him. The picture shows Tommies counting the "notches" in the wrecked plane.

Western Area Agreement to Be Signed Today

New Police Force of Five Divisions and 1,400 Men Expected to Improve Conditions

A CONSIDERABLE improvement in conditions in the Western area which will be policed by a special force with a strength of more than 1,400 men, foreigners and Chinese, is envisaged with the signing this morning at the Kiangwan Civic Centre by Mr. W. J. Keswick, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, and Mayor Chen Kung-po of the Shanghai Municipal Government, of the Western Area Police Agreement. The conclusion of the agreement is expected to result in greater co-operation between the Settlement and Chinese authorities and brings to a close protracted negotiations which have been going on for more than a year.

The agreement will be signed at 10 a.m. in the presence of a number of officials including Mr. G. Godfrey Phillips, Secretary and Commissioner General of the Council; Mr. R. T. Bryan, Jr., Municipal Advocate; Major K. M. Bourne, Police Commissioner of the Settlement; General Loo Ying, Commissioner of the Police of the Municipality of Greater Shanghai and Mr. T. Beesley publicity officer of the Council. The terms of the agreement will be released to the press immediately after it has been signed.

A Bulky Document

The agreement it is understood, is a bulky document of fifteen foolscap pages and will substitute the modus vivendi signed in February last year for the policing of the Western area outside roads between the late Mayor Fu Siao-en and Mr. C. S. Franklin, former Chairman of the Council. The present agreement is much more detailed and specifies the actual strength of the police which will be responsible for the preservation of order in a turbulent area and scene of considerable lawlessness.

Following on the heels of the signing of the agreement, it was learned, the new police force will begin its function almost immediately and will consist of five divisions. Its foreign police personnel which is being seconded by the Shanghai Municipal Council has already been selected after careful consideration by Major K. M. Bourne, Police Commissioner of the Settlement police force, who has also devoted a great deal of his time to the negotiations. It will be recalled that hopes were expressed last summer that the agreement will be terminated after the return from summer holiday of Major Bourne.

The new police force will direct its energies indefatigibly to crime suppression in the Western area outside roads which had not been possible to an efficient degree in the past owing to the question of jurisdiction.

Modus Vivendi Amplified

The new agreement amplifies to a great extent the former modus vivendi embodying only eight short articles contained in a couple of pages. The first deals with the establishment of a special police force for the area concerned and founding of a number of police stations and substations, and the uniform of the police personnel to ensure a distinction between its members and those of other police forces in Shanghai. In the second clause the strength of the force was left for future consideration between the Chief of the Bureau of the City Government of Greater Shanghai and the Commissioner of the Settlement police force.

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Alleged Japanese Demands on N.E.I.

Right to Lay Cable from N.E.I. to Japan Said to Have Been Asked

London, Jan. 31.

Japanese economic proposals to the Netherlands East Indies in the current Batavia conference include the right to lay a cable from N.E.I. to Japan and to establish regular aviation service between the two countries, reliable Dutch circles said yesterday.

The Japanese insist the economic interdependence of the N.E.I. and Japan includes these suggestions which, experts believe, would give Japan a privileged position with N.E.I.

Authoritative Dutch opinion here rejects the theory that the N.E.I. and Japan are economically interdependent.

Other proposals contained in the Japanese delegation's memorandum to the Dutch were reported to be for freer admission of Japanese immigrants, special facilities for prospecting and mining, extension of fishing rights and increased import quotas of Japanese industrial products.

The memorandum has not yet demanded increased oil exports, but that question may arise, Dutch circles said, when last autumn's six-months' N.E.I.-Japan oil accord expires.—United Press.

War Close to Malaya Governor States

Country Urged to Prepare In Every Way

Singapore, Jan. 31.

Sir Shenton Thomas, Governor of the Straits Settlements and High Commissioner of the Federated Malay States, said today active war was closer to the shores of Malaya than ever before.

Sir Shenton made the statement while advocating an income tax for the Federated Malay states.

"I am not exaggerating. I am not an alarmist. I tell you plainly this country may yet have to face a state of war, the cost of which is utterly incalculable.

"It would be made self-complacency and wishful thinking of the most reckless kind not to recognize it and make full provision, financial and otherwise, within the time available."—United Press.

"I Cannot Take Responsibility For What Matsuoka Says"

Head of Japanese Mission to N.E.I. Comments on Recent Speech on N.E.I. Japan Talks

Batavia, Jan. 31.

Mr. Kenichi Yoshizawa, head of the Japanese Economic Mission to the Netherlands East Indies, said yesterday he could not "take responsibility" for recent statements of Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Foreign Minister.

Replying to Mr. Matsuoka's statement that "Japan is endeavouring to correct the Dutch attitude by diplomatic protests," Mr. Yoshizawa said, "I cannot take the responsibility for what Matsuoka says.

"My hopes are alternately optimistic and pessimistic for acceptance of our proposals."

He said Mr. Matsuoka's expectation that commercial sources in the N.E.I. would furnish Japan with "considerable quantities" of oil was related to the previous visit here of Mr. Ichizo Kobayashi, Minister of Commerce and Industry, and not to the new talks.

He said he hoped the Dutch reactions to Mr. Matsuoka's speeches would not "hamper" the smooth progress of negotiations.

Mr. H. J. Van Mook, head of the Dutch negotiators, said he questioned a Moscow radio reported carried by the newspaper "Java Bode" naming six points of "secret Japanese proposals" to the N.E.I. and said he "understood delegates are to maintain silence on the present proposals."

"I neither confirm nor deny the Moscow radio version," Mr. Van Mook stated.

The Japanese spokesman for the Japanese delegation, when questioned, said he had "no comment" on the same reports.—United Press.

"Would Rather Die Fighting Hitler"

Chicago, Jan. 31.

Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, yesterday told 2,000 members of the State Street Merchants' Association that "I would rather die fighting Hitler than live under his rule."

Col. Knox said the U.S. was standing on the sidelines "of the most critical battle in the world's history....We cannot morally evade helping Britain in its defence of Democracy."—United Press.

Thailand, French Armistice Signed

Mutual Withdrawals of Troops and Setting Up Of Buffer Zone

Saigon, Jan. 31.

The Thai-French Indo-China armistice was signed today at 6 p.m. aboard the Japanese warship Natori in the harbour here.

The armistice provided for mutual withdrawals of troops on both sides from present fighting lines and establishment of a 20 kilometre buffer zone between them.

Armistice terms will apply until the final peace settlement is negotiated in Tokyo.

French and Thai delegates to the armistice negotiations and Japanese mediators toasted each other with champagne after signing the document which formally ended hostilities begun on November 27, 1940.

The armistice calls for the creation of the buffer zone within 72 hours.

Troops of each country are to withdraw ten kilometres from the positions they occupied when fighting ceased officially at 10 a.m. last Tuesday.

Thai troops, however, even after withdrawing ten kilometres will occupy one area in Laos Province and several minor areas in Cambodia Province in Indo-China because their thrusts took them further than ten kilometres into French territory.

The armistice terms also fixed a line in the Gulf of Siam which neither the Thai nor French navies will be allowed to cross. Neither Thai nor French planes will be permitted to fly over the buffer zone.

The Thai and French delegates accepted Japanese proposals presented to them last Wednesday.

The armstice will only remain valid until the final peace terms are agreed on in the negotiations to be held at Tokyo. The armistice terms, however, may be prolonged only upon the agreement of all three Powers.

The Japanese armistice delegation shall control the execution of the armistice terms, with both Indo-China and Thailand promising the Japanese the necessary facilities.

With the armistice concluded, attention here now turned to Tokyo, where the peace negotiations will be opened shortly.

The fate of Indo-China's southern naval bases and airfields probably will be decided in Tokyo, where already negotiations are being held between Japanese and the French regarding Indo-China's economy

Japan probably will make a bid for the southern Indo-China naval and air bases as a reward for mediation in the Thai and Indo-China hostilities, informed quarters believed.

Quarters connected with the armistice commissions said that the Japanese were most anxious to open the peace negotiations in Tokyo without any delay.—United Press.

Bill to Ban Arms Export To Japan Introduced

Washington, Jan. 31.

Mr. John M. Coffee, Democratic Representative of Washington, yesterday introduced a bill to prohibit the export of arms, ammunition and implements and materials of war to Japan from the United States or any transshipment point until Japan withdraws from China.

The bill provides for a ban on exportation of scrap iron, scrap tin, all other metals, petroleum products and machinery.

Mr. Coffee introduced virtually the same bill during the last session of Congress without it being reported out of committee. The bill was not then nor at present considered an Administration measure. — United Press.

Aid Bill Approved by House Committee

Amended Measure Adopted by 17 Votes to Eight; Life of Bill, President's Powers Only Slightly Limited in Final Draft Prepared for Congress

Washington, Jan. 31.

THE House Foreign Affairs Committee yesterday approved the amended Aid to the Democracies ("Lease-and-Loan") Bill and ordered it reported favourably to the House, where debate on it possibly will start Monday.

Seventeen Committee members approved the amended bill, while eight were opposed to it.

The Committee rejected an amendment by Mr. Hamilton Fish, Republican Representative of New York, limiting aid to Britain to US$2,000,000,000.

Amendments adopted by the Committee were:

Limitation the life of the bill to June 30, 1943;

The President to file reports to Congress every 90 days regarding transactions made under the bill; and

The President to consult Army and Navy officials before sending U.S. war materials abroad.

Mr. James W. Gerard, who was U.S. Ambassador to Germany before the World War, told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which was hearing testimony on the bill, that Germany would embark on a programme of world conquest if she succeeded in defeating Britain.

Germans in Brazil

Mr. Gerard, discussing various aspects of the world situation said nearly 2,000,000 inhabitants of Brazil were of German descent and with Italian elements, comprised 35 per cent. of the country's total population.

The Committee invited Mr. Wendell L. Willkie, defeated Republican Presidential nominee, to be its final witness when he returns from London, where he is now studying Britain under war-time conditions.

The State Department revealed that President Roosevelt, when he greeted Viscount Halifax, new British Ambassador to the U.S., in Chesapeake Bay recently, told the envoy the U.S. was determined to "continue on an ever-increasing scale" assistance to Britain.

Debt Limit Raised

The House Ways and Means Committee approved legislation raising the statutory limit on the national debt to US$65,000,000,000 and authorized taxation of future U.S. bond issues.

The Committee also authorized the issuance of small denomination defence bonds and treasury certificates such as Mr. Henry Morgenthau Secretary of the Treasury, advocated to the Committee yesterday.—United Press.

Willkie Watches Dover Raid

London, Jan. 31.

Mr. Wendell Willkie today twice saw anti-aircraft guns open fire on a Dornier bomber—of the type known as the "Flying Pencil"—which crossed the British coast near Dover, where the former republican candidate for the American presidency was making a rapid tour of inspection.

Mr. Willkie inspected a giant gun, which delivers replies to German shelling across the channel.—Reuter.

Battleship for 20 Destroyers Suggested

Detroit, Jan. 31.

The United States may trade 20 Navy destroyers for the British battleship King George V. the "Detroit Free Press" said today.

The King George V. of 35,000 tons is one of Britain's newest battleships. It was laid down in 1937.

Until the great ship brought Lord Halifax, new British Ambassador to the United States to America recently, there had been no official disclosure the vessel had been completed and launched.—United Press.

Gen. Metaxas Honoured

London, Jan. 31.

Flags on all Government buildings in London were flown at half mast today for General Metaxas, Greek Prime Minister, whose funeral took place today. This is only the second time on record that anyone other than a head of a state has been honoured in this way. The last occasion was the funeral of Marshal Foch.—Reuter.

Enactment Spurred By Hitler Threat

Address Believed Likely To Result in Increased Aid to Democracies

Washington, Jan. 31.

Congressional quarters today believed that Chancellor Adolf Hitler's threat yesterday to torpedo every ship carrying war materials to Britain would fail to affect the attitude of Congress on the "Lease and Loan" bill.

Some Congressmen predicted that the threat would only serve to spur the United States to increase its aid to the Democracies battling Totalitarianism.

Political circles thought that it was highly significant that only a few hours after Chancellor Hitler's speech yesterday the House Foreign Affairs Committee approved the amended lend-lease bill and urged its speedy enactment.

"Direct Answer"

Mr. Sol Bloom, chairman of the Committee's and Democratic Representative of New York, said, "The Committee's report was a direct answer to Mr. Hitler and I hope everyone will read it."

Senator Walter George, Georgia Democrat and chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, yesterday construed Hitler's threat to torpedo American aid to Britain as a warning against the use of U.S. ships as convoys.

"This means that our ships will be treated as belligerents," Senator George said.

"Almost Certain. . . .War"

Senator Robert A. Taft, Ohio Republican, believed that Chancellor Hitler's speech added nothing not already known, but "does call attention to the fact that the policy of convoying supplies is almost certain to produce war."

Senator Gerald P. Nye, North Dakota Republican and isolationist leader, said. "It does not matter what Hitler said. Our American thinking ought to be completely divorced from anything he says.

"We should think about these things before a change in national policies gets us out on a long limb," Senator D. Worth Clark, Idaho Democrat, declared.—United Press.

Senator Glass' Retort

Washington, Jan. 31.

"Shooting the hell" out of anybody interfering with American ships was advocated by Senator Glass of the Foreign Relations Committee in a reply to Chancellor Hitler's torpedoing threat.

Hitler's threat was splashed in streamer headlines in the evening papers.

Senator Glass commented: "I favour sending our ships anywhere we are entitled to under International Law, and shooting the hell out of anybody who interferes with them."—Reuter.

London Confident

London, Jan. 31.

London commentators believed yesterday Chancellor Hitler's threat in his anniversary speech to torpedo convoys was extremely unlikely to deflect U.S. aid to Britain.

They said President Roosevelt already had made clear America would execute its policy of aid regardless of the dictators' speeches.—United Press.

U.S. Reference Cheered

Berlin, Jan. 31.

Crowds which jammed the Sports Palace to hear Chancellor Adolf Hitler's speech last night applauded and cheered wildly when the Fuhrer asserted "Germany has no quarrel with the United States."—United Press.

U.S. Magnesium Firms Accused of Favouring German Demands

American Aircraft Production Declared by Jury To Have Been Impeded and Delayed by Companies

New York, Jan. 31.

A New York grand jury investigating defence industry bottle-necks yesterday indicted three companies on charges of combining to produce a situation in which Germany received at least four times as much magnesium yearly as the U.S.

The companies indicted were the Aluminum Company of America, Down Chemical Company and I. G. Farben Company (the latter which also is known as the German Dye Trust).

The jury said U.S. aircraft production was "impeded and delayed" by these restrictive agreements.

The Department of Justice at Washington said the grand jury investigation showed "startling evidence of German influence in domestic industries essential to national defence" and listed five reasons for the indictment:

Firstly, inadequate U.S. facilities at present to produce magnesium;

Secondly, alleged conspiracy of German and American firms which have "restricted, restrained and discouraged" development and use of magnesium in aeroplane manufacture;

Thirdly, serious shortage of magnesium foundry facilities, causing aircraft and defence material production to be "seriously impeded and delayed";

Fourthly, maintenance of a magnesium price in the U.S. at "artificially and unreasonably high levels";

Fifthly, maintenance of a single magnesium producer by alleged conspiracy.—United Press.

Hitler Challenges Britain To Landing on Continent

Spring U-Boat Campaign Promised by Fuhrer in Abusive Outburst; America Also Threatened

Berlin, Jan. 31.

"I HAVE read on several occasions that the English intend to start a great offensive somewhere; I would ask them to let me know about it beforehand. I would then have that area in Europe evacuated. I would gladly spare them the difficulties of landing, and we would express our views once again, using the only language they understand," said Herr Hitler in a speech at the Sportpalast in Berlin yesterday, on the eighth anniversary of his coming to power.

Hitler gave warning to the United States to stay out of the war: "Europe will resist any attempt by the American States to intervene in the European war."

Except for a spring offensive by submarines, the Führer gave no undertakings as to the future conduct of the war, but promised that "wherever we can strike at Britain we shall strike."

"Few Misfortunes"

The German and Italian peoples could not be separated by British propaganda, he declared, nor the Italian people from the Duce because of "a few misfortunes."

The usual olaims that Germany was free of guilt for the last war and that she had not been defeated, were included in the speech a large part of which was devoted to abuse of Britain.

"We stand here on this continent, and from where we stand nobody can move us. We have created certain bases. When the hour strikes we shall deal decisive blows. And that we have made the most of our time, they will be taught by the history of this year. They are calling for America. We have taken into account every possibility in advance."

Hitler added that Germany had never had any interest on the American continent.

"Peace Efforts"

Hitler then recalled his "efforts to preserve peace."

"My peaceful efforts failed because they were opposed by a combination of plutocratic ruthlessness, Jewish hate instincts and ambitions of refugees. I have never had a single point of dispute with Britain...."

He went on to assert that British labour leaders were now plagiarizing the social ideas of Nazism. "If the war lasts long enough this will have disastrous effects for Britain. They will have to send a mission over to us to take over our social programme."

Speaking of his peace offers since the outbreak of war, Hitler said: "When I offered my hand to Britain after the collapse in the west I was met by sneers and insults. They spat at me."

America Warned

Dealing with possible American help to Britain, he warned:

"Whoever wants to help Britain must know that every ship that comes near our torpedo tubes will be torpedoed; if American States should attempt to intervene in the European conflict, our aim will change at once. Europe will resist such an attempt."

British "efforts at world domination," he said, had been frustrated by the rise of the European entente of Germany and Italy.

"It is useless to predict any differences with Italy or that Italy will slide out. It is equally useless to invent revolutions in Italy. Wherever we can strike at Britain we shall strike. If the British think to see proof of their victory in a few misfortunes which have befallen our partner, I do not understand their argument."

"Men of Honour"

Speaking of his relations with Mussolini, Hitler declared: "We two are neither Jews nor business dealers. If we have joined hands, this is a hand-clasp of men of honour.

Concluding, he asserted: "If the British think that by propaganda and lies they will alienate the German people, I must say they should not have slept so long. It is as ridiculous as their present attempt to bring about estrangement between the Italian people and the Duce.

"We enter the new year with armed might which is prepared as never before in German history. This spring, we will begin U-boat warfare, and our enemies will then feel that we were not asleep.

"We are confident that we shall achieve victory. We pray to God may he not forsake our struggle in the new year, 1941."

After the speech, Dr. Joseph Goebbels, Propaganda Minister, shouted: "Command, my Fuhrer! We obey and shall follow you!"

Exchange Courtesies

"Comradely greetings" from Signor Mussolini to Herr Hitler are expressed by the Duce in a telegram to the Fuhrer on the eighth anniversary of his accession to power which, says the Duce, "finds Italy and Germany fraternally allied in the final revolutionary fight for the creation of a new Europe."

Signor Mussolini adds: "The whole Italian nation unites with me on the occasion of this celebration in unchangeable loyalty with unshakeable resolution to fight to final victory."

Herr Hitler in his reply says: "Shoulder to shoulder with our friendly ally the Italian nation, Nazi Germany fights on determinedly and with sure consciousness of her ultimate victory for a new Europe."

King Victor Emanuel has also sent a congratulatory message, to which Herr Hitler has replied.—Reuter.

Britain Scorns Hitler's Tirade

Address Branded as Same Familiar Boastings and Vulgar Invective

London, Jan. 31.

Herr Hitler's threats against Britain in the course of his address yesterday to the German people are the subject of scornful comments in the press today.

Newspapers express the opinion that the threats will not frighten Britain or America but will have the opposite effect.

The "Daily Telegraph" says the address was true to type, compounded of the same familiar boastings, threats, wild distortions of history and vulgar invective.

"A rational world can take it only as a revelation of the dangerous delusions of a disordered mind," continues the paper. "When he protests his constant desire to come to an understanding with British he omits to add that it was always on his own terms. This country did come to an understanding with him. It was at Munich, and the promises he gave were broken as soon as they had served their turn."

Mussolini's Plight

He said: "I stretched out my hand." He did, and it was found to be the hand of a faith-breaker. If Mussolini accepts his hand, his plight is even more to be pitied. As an enemy Hitler may be formidable, but as a friend he is fatal, as Italy is finding out. He seems actually to think that to threaten the United States is a short way to victory. The man who can so delude himself must, as they say in the north country, be daft, adds the "Daily Telegraph."

The "Daily Express" says: "You may anger the Americans by threats, you won't scare them. It was Hitler's last threat to Americans that put them solidly behind President Roosevelt."

The "News-Chronicle" declares that the "gross distortions of the speech are the same as ever: the same unpalatable meat served in the same cracked dishes. Even those passages which contain some gropings after commonsense will find no sympathetic audience here. We know too well of the long chain of lies, half truths and broken promises ever to believe his word again."

"Method in His Madness"

The "Daily Herald" states that whenever Hitler sounds most nearly mad, there is most method in his madness. It must be for his own people, it declares, that he is building a new myth.

Has he sensed, the paper asks, that they are weary and sated with the Dead Sea fruit of futile victories?

Despite the Fuhrer's confident tone, there was a defensive note in the proceedings at the Sportspalast, says "The Times."

In his introductory remarks Dr. Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda, spoke of the difficult weeks and months ahead.

An apologetic note seemed to creep into some of Hitler's pronouncements on the rise of Nazism and the aims it pursued.

The tone of the warning to America, the paper asserts, showed prudent disinclination to challenge American opinion. There was something of restraint even in his menaces against Britain and repeated assurances of confidence in victory. It would be foolish to seek indications of future Nazi policy or tactics in utterances obviously designed for domestic consumption, adds "The Times."—Reuter.

"Warning to Greece"

Belgrade, Jan. 31.

Chancellor Hitler's declaration that Germany would fight British troops wherever they appeared were regarded as a warning to the new Greek Government to follow the policy of the late General John Metaxas, Premier, "not to permit debarkation of British troops on the Greek mainland so as not to give Germany cause to intervene."—United Press.

Foreign Woman Jumps From Eighth Floor

Meets Instant Death; Identity Unknown

With only a rosary and a few medals as clues, the French Police were yesterday investigating the suicide of an unidentified foreign woman, who jumped from the eighth floor of the Washington Building at the corner of Route Cohen and Avenue Petain to meet instant death at 7.40 p.m.

As far as the fatal jump could be reconstructed, the woman, who was not known to have lived in the vicinity of the building, walked up by the back stairs to the eighth floor, took off her coat, hat and shoes, and leapt into the back yard of the Washington Building. Her handbag, with only the rosary and the few religious medals, was found near her abandoned articles of clothing. There were no papers or money in the bag.

The French police were unable to identify the suicide up to a late hour last night, although the presence of the religious medals and rosary pointed to the fact that she was a Catholic. She was modestly dressed and appeared to be about forty years of age. When picked up to be conveyed to a hospital, the woman was already dead, having met instant death. Her head and face were crushed.

Shanghai Ordered Not To Accept New Notes

Chungking, Jan. 31.

The head offices of the Bank of China and Bank of Communications are surprised at the report on January 29 that their Shanghai offices are accepting deposits in currency issued by the Central Reserve Bank of Nanking.

High officials of both banks state that no instructions have even been issued to their branches in Shanghai to accept these bank-notes, and that investigations are being made in this connection.

Strict orders have been issued to their Shanghai branches that they are not allowed to accept the new currency for deposits, the officials further assert.—Reuter.

British Warship in 1st Battle Honours

H.M.S. Manchester's Part In Brush with Italians Revealed in Broadcast

London, Jan. 31.

How the cruiser H.M.S. Manchester won her first battle honour was told yesterday in a broadcast war commentary by Mr. H. C. Ferraby, the naval writer, who said: "It has been disclosed only recently that the Manchester was in the van of Admiral Somervilles force in the West Mediterranean when he chased the Italian fleet off Sardinia on November 27, a battle that the Manchester's crew calls the Battle of Spartivento.

"For more than an hour the Manchester held part of the Italian cruiser squadrons' fire. They set one cruiser ablaze, and hit and probably sank one destroyer. Some Italian shells fell near the Manchester, but none came inboard.

"That action, inconclusive as it was, is of real importance in the life of the Manchester. Every ship in the Royal Navy carries a beautifully painted and scrolled board of battle honours. Wherever famous ancestors fought, that battle honour is worn by the modern ship of the same name. But the Manchester has no ancestors in the Navy, although it seems odd, that so famous a city hitherto has never had a naval namesake.

"Spartivento 1940 is the first battle honour in the history of H.M.S. Manchester. Battles are rare incidents in the records of a cruiser's work in war-time. Much of the past 16 months, the Manchester has spent steaming about on many missions that did not end in action.

"She convoyed troops through the Indian Ocean in the opening months of the war,—troops that have since made history in Libya. She convoyed troops to Namsos and Andalsnes in the Norwegian operations. Mile after mile the ship has steamed—55,000 miles in 12 months, 7,500 of them in one hectic crowded month of many adventures.

"She has had many rush orders since the first one that brought her home at top speed from the East Indies, not knowing what lay in store for her."—British Official Wireless.

*British Threaten Benghazi

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Italian garrison. The garrison was believed to have numbered 10,000 men, the majority of whom probably escaped.

Derna apparently was better fortified than either Bardia or Tobruk, although bigger in area than either of these towns.

The garrison had coastal batteries and anti-aircraft emplacements. Batteries of anti-aircraft guns were placed on the road leading to Derna, so as to form a hindrance to the inevitable British attack.

The harbour has only an artificial anchorage, fortified by small guns, and big vessels have to discharge their cargoes into lighters.

Good Water Supply

Derna is nearly a hundred miles further along the coast than Tobruk and is provided with a good water supply.

After the fall of Tobruk, British patrols continued their swift rush forward, which took them to the region of Gazala 40 miles west of Tokruk, within the next two days. This advance was carried out despite harassing attacks by enemy aircraft on the British mechanized forces

Although the Derna position was without deep dugouts or permanent defences, there is understood to have been more resistance from the Italians than in any previous battle along the coast. Italian artillery poured shells into the Brititsh positions.—Reuter.

Canal Region Attacked

Cairo, Jan. 31.

The Suez Canal area was subjected to a raid on Wednesday morning. Bombs were dropped, but no damage was registered. There were no casualties, according to an official announcement.

The alert was sounded in Cairo and other places in lower and upper Egypt as enemy 'planes passed over towards the canal area.—Reuter.

*Western Area Accord to Be Signed

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The third clause mentions the appointment of a number of senior and subordinate officers by the City Government of Greater Shanghai from candidates recommended by the Council. The fourth article deals with the chiefs of police stations in localities where foreigners own extensive property whose appointment should be made by the Chinese authorities upon the recommendation of the Council.

The appointment of liaison officers and handling of foreign cases by foreign officers are mentioned in the fifth and sixth clauses, while the seventh provides for the procedure to be followed in case of differences of opinion. The last clause stipulates that the document is to be drawn in English and Chinese, while the actual meaning and interpretation should be based on the Chinese copy.

Japanese Gratified

That the conclusion of the agreement was another step in the right direction and should be to better order in Shanghai was the opinion expressed by a Japanese spokesman yesterday afternoon at the usual weekly press conference. He was gratified that the agreement had been reached after lengthy deliberation.

Italian Minister of State Appointed

Berlin, Jan. 31.

King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, acting on a proposal of Signor Mussolini, has appointed Gen. Dull-Olio Minister of State, says a Rome despatch to the official German news agency. In the last war Gen. Dull-Olio was Minister of Armaments and Munitions. In 1937-38 he was General Commissioner for War Industry.—Reuter.

Mr. Roosevelt "Not Happy" on Birthday

President Stresses Right Of Weak to Survive

Washington, Jan. 31.

President Roosevelt, in a brief radio broadcast on the occasion of his birthday yesterday, said it was "not a completely happy birthday" for him.

He added that in fact, "these are not completely happy days for any of us in the world." He felicitated the people of the United States because they were "still living under a free peoples' philosophy" while none of their cities were blacked out as in other parts of the world.

"It is not that we are unconcerned with the plight of free peoples elsewhere," he said, "it is because we believe in and insist on the right of the helpless, weak and crippled everywhere to play their part in life—and survive.

"It is because we know instinctively that this right of the unfortunate comes under our free peoples' philosophy from the bottom up and can never be imposed from the top down."

President Roosevelt also thanked the supporters of his campaign against infantile paralysis.

The President's birthday has become a traditional occasion on which to hold elaborate presidential "Birthday Balls" throughout the United States and its possessions. Proceeds of the balls go to alleviation of infantile paralysis sufferers, particularly to the Warm Springs Foundation for sufferers at Warms Springs, Georgia, where the President himself recuperated from an attack of the disease.—United Press.

Violent Storms Sweep Over Japan

Ships Aground, Trains Derailed

Tokyo, Jan. 31.

Violent snowstorms are sweeping both the southern and northern extremities of Japan disrupting traffic and communications. Trains have been derailed, and ships blown ashore.

The Zuiko Maru, 4,156 tons, was stranded on the Osedosuji shore near Shomonoseki at midnight, when the anchor chain broke.

Forty three members of the crew were rescued from land, although other ships stood by.

The Toa Kisen Kaisha Kobe-Shanghai 15,000 ton liner, Taiyo Maru, postponed sailing which was due this afternoon at two o'clock to tomorrow on account of the storm. Other ships were prevented from landing passengers or working cargo at Moji and Shimonoseki.

A howling 35 metre a second snowstorm sweeping northwestern Japan caused delays in train schedules ranging from one to two hours.

A train was blown off the tracks at Kashiwazaki Station without casualties.

Snowdrifts necessitated the use of snow plows to clear away the tracks.—Domei.

Russia and Germany Ratify Border Pact

Frontier Treaty Stated Based on "Friendship"

Moscow, Jan. 31.

The following communique on the ratification of a treaty between the U.S.S.R. and Germany on frontier juridical status and the exchange of ratification instruments has been published:

"On January 30, in Moscow, the Chairman of the Council of the Peoples' Commissars of the U.S.S.R. and the People's Commissar of Foreign Affairs, V. Molotov, and the German Ambassador, Count Schulenburg, exchanged ratification instruments of the treaty on frontier juridical status signed in Berlin in August 31, 1940, with protocols and other documents appended thereto.

"The treaty on the frontier juridical status is based on the treaty of friendship and frontier signed by the U.S.S.R. and Germany on September 28, 1939 and ratified by the Governments of the U.S.S.R. and Germany on December 5, 1940."

Treaty With Slovakia

The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the U.S.S.R. has ratified the treaty on trade and navigation between the U.S.S.R. and Slovakia, signed in Moscow on December 6, 1940.—Tass.

Five Killed in C.N.A.C. Aeroplane Crash

Only One Survivor of Crash in Kiangsi

Hongkong, Jan. 31.

Five men were killed and a sixth was seriously injured when a China National Aviation Corporation plane crashed on January 20 in mountains near Kian, wartime capital of Kiangsi Province, it was announced today.

Dead were Mr. Bernard Wong, pilot; Mr. K. C. Wu, co-pilot; Mr. C. Chen, radio operator; Mr. Z. Kwong, a company employee and Mr. Y. W. Yeh, who had chartered the plane and was travelling on it with his freight.

The sole survivor was Mr. P. L. Chang, another radio operator, who is recovering in a hospital.

The plane was believed to have crashed in a thunderstorm. It was located by a searching party which brought Mr. Chang to a hospital last night, said C.N.A.C. officials.—United Press.

Petrol Quota Further Reduced in Japan

Tokyo, Jan. 31.

The running of private cars in Japan has been rendered virtually impossible as a result of further restrictions on the use of petrol.

For the month of February, it is announced, only six gallons of petrol will be allotted for private cars.

Trucks of ordinary size are allowed 31 gallons for the entire month, medium-sized trucks 24 gallons, midget trucks five gallons, hire cars 24 gallons and taxis 40 gallons.

March quotas are expected to be further curtailed—to one-third of the average monthly consumption in 1940.—Reuter.

Mr. Welles Warns U.S. on Need for Two-Ocean Navy

Axis Attempt to Impose Financial Stranglehold On Latin America Seen as Prelude to Attack

New York, Jan. 31.

THE security of the U.S. will be menaced until her Navy is strong enough to guard two oceans, Mr. Sumner Welles, Under-Secretary of State, said in a speech yesterday.

A German victory over Britain would be followed by Axis attempts to "impose a commercial and financial stranglehold" on Latin America, Mr. Welles said.

Also, he said, Germany would attempt subversive political infiltration in the American republics and, if these efforts succeeded—eventual military invasion.

The Under-Secretary of State urged Congress to approve the Aid to the Democracies Bill, because it would facilitate aiding Britain, Greece and China, and would repudiate the possibility of a negotiated peace not be "worth the paper on which it was written."

U.S. "Vulnerable"

Mr. Welles said that the Atlantic Ocean gave the U.S. no geographical security and stressed that the English immunity to invasion so far was a result of the dominance of the British Navy, the disappearance of which would leave the English Channel and ocean itself vulnerable, while the U.S. possessed only a one-ocean Navy.

While there was no satisfactory guarantee of stability and peace in the Pacific and the Navy was based in the Pacific, control of the Atlantic by a sea power friendly to the U.S. was an essential part of national security, Mr. Welles declared.

Mr. Welles said there was no similarity between the Monroe Doctrine and Japan's "New Order." U.S. relations with Far Eastern nations were based on a desire to uphold treaties and accepted international rights.

"It is grimly humorous to learn that the Government of the U.S. has been accused by an official spokesman of the Japanese Government of pursuing an aggressive policy in the Far East and to hear one of the reasons for this alleged aggression on our part is a further allegation that we have placed our line of defence in the western Pacific."

"Every Endeavour"

"We also have been informed by this gentleman that since the U.S. upholds the principles of the Monroe Doctrine and its application in the western hemisphere, there can be no legitimate objection on the part of the American people because the Empire of Japan desires to establish its own brand of 'new order in the Far East.....

"The U.S. has made every endeavour to promote friendship with all other powers provided their policies made such friendship possible. The U.S. never attempted nor intended to extend its hegemony or jurisdiction in the Pacific area during these recent years.

"The U.S. lines of defence are determined solely by the acts and policies of other nations. These lines of defence are fixed solely by what we estimate are required in the light of such policies and acts by others to insure the inviolability and safety of our own territory.

"The Monroe Doctrine is and always has been a policy of self-defense, of aggression."—United Press.

Paoanchen Taken By Japanese

Fierce Fighting in Honan Reported; Heavy Chinese Losses Alleged

Paoanchen, Jan. 31.

Continuing their furious onslaught against 50,000 Chinese troops under General Tang En-po in the Siping area, southern Honan, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, six Japanese detachments at noon yesterday captured Paoanchen, after routing several thousand Chinese troops armed with trench mortars in the neighbourhood of Taweimiao an hour earlier.

Four other Japanese units entered the walled town of Wuyang, east of Paoanchen yesterday afternoon after dispersing Chinese troops on a hill ten kilometres south west of Wukungchen, according to field reports reaching here.

During these operations which led to the fall of Paoanchen and Wuyang, Chinese forces suffered a loss of 4,500 killed, in addition to 570 wounded. The Japanese seized three anti-tank guns, three automatic guns, one trench mortar, 56 machine-guns, 950 rifles and eight military trucks.

In close cooperation with these units, three other Japanese units yesterday afternoon hammered enemy troops in the vicinity of Wuchengchen, on the Wuyang-Yencheng highway, frontline report also disclosed.—Domei.

Two Trawlers Drive Off Air Attack

Nazi Plane Put to Flight After Battle at Sea

London, Jan. 31.

The attempted bombing of two British trawlers, the Charmouth and Rattray, caused an unpleasant surprise for German airmen recently. One German plane located the trawlers at sea, satisfied itself that the craft were fishing and then attacked.

The bombs however were inaccurately aimed and neither trawler was damaged. A second attack with machine-gun and cannon fire then was launched by the German but both trawlers vigorously retaliated with their defensive armament. Repeatedly they hit the aircraft, finally driving it off when it appeared to be on fire.

Although neither trawler claimed to have shot down the plane, said a naval spokesman today, it was subsequently established that the machine crashed into the sea some miles away.—Reuter.

Audience Granted To Mr. Hopkins

Visit to Britain of Pres. Roosevelt's "Personal Envoy" Nears End

London, Jan. 31.

Mr. Harry Hopkins, President Roosevelt's personal envoy to Britain, yesterday was received by King George VI at Buckingham Palace.

Therefore, he was entertained at luncheon by the King and Queen.

Mr. Hopkins' audience with His Majesty was interpreted as indicating his visit in England was nearing its end.

The King will hold an audience for Mr. Wendell L. Willkie, defeated Republican Peesidential nominee, who is exploring wartorn England, but the day has not yet been fixed.

Mr. Willkie told newspapermen yesterday he probably would leave England about February 6.—United Press.

Buys "Round" for Troops

London, Jan. 31.

Mr. Wendell Willkie, who is now in England to get first-hand information of the present state of affairs, threw convention to the winds yesterday when he left his Park Lane hotel and went to a public house, where he had a pint of beer and played darts with the builders and labourers gathered there.

He stood drinks to a party of soldiers in the "pub" who were on leave and at the invitation of the landlord went behind the bar and pulled himself a glass of beer, joking with the barmaid as he did so.

Mr. Willkie and the landlord afterwards toasted each other in a bottle of champagne which the landlord had been saving for Armistice Day. "But you are as good as an armistice to us," the landlord told Mr. Willkie.

Temple Visited

The American visitor signed his autograph many times before leaving to have lunch at Claridge's with the Lord Chancellor, Lord Simon, who later conducted Mr. Willkie on a tour of the Temple, which had been bombed.

Mr. Willkie shook his head when he saw the ruins of the historic Middle Temple hall, and the damaged Inner Temple library and hall, and said "It seems unbelievable. This destruction is all so useless from the point of view of Germany's war effort."

Accepting a glass of brandy from the famous cellars, which had been untouched by the air raids Mr. Willkie proposed a toast to the "restoration of the Temple."

Later Mr. Willkie called at the Admiralty and saw the First Lord, Mr. A. V. Alexander. During an air raid he was shewn the Map Room.

Naval Discussion

Following his visit, Mr. Willkie said he was with Mr. Alexander for about half an hour, and also talked to other officials.

"We discussed the whole naval situation, and things that are most needed." Mr. Willkie said. "Everyone talked to me with complete candour, and the visit was very instructive."

Speaking of his lunch with the Lord Chancellor, Mr. Willkie said that they discussed the system of the English courts, and the way justice was functioning under wartime conditions.

"I had the impression that the English courts were still open and free and were operating under the old established rules, modified only by wartime regulations," Mr. Willkie said.—Reuter.

General Metaxas Laid to Rest

Athens, Jan. 31.

General John Metaxas, the late Greek Prime Minister was buried this afternoon within sight of the Acropolis. King George of Greece and the new Prime Minister were present at the funeral, as were the British Minister and the commanding officer of the R.A.F. and British auxillary forces in Greece.—Reuter.

Salvation Army Annual Appeal

$36,415 Already Given; Goal of $175,000 to Be Reached This Year

Prior to the opening of the Salvation Army's annual appeal for funds on Thursday, thousands of dollars had already been donated, the largest sum, $10,000 being given by a local Chinese businessman. It was stated yesterday by Brigadier B. Morris, commander of the Army in this region, that donations yesterday were coming in steadily, the officer voicing the belief that the goal, $175,000, will be forthcoming.

Army Headquarters are at 40 Nanking Road, Sassoon Arcade, and donations should be sent to that address. The list of donations follows:

A Chinese Friend	$10,000
Associated Charities	5,000
Cas Des Ouvres	3,000
A Chinese Friend	2,000
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Hongkong Bank Corp.	1,500
Sir Victor Sassoon	1,000
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Shanghai Football Assoc.	600
Sassoon Banking Corp.	500
Wing On Textile Manuf. Co.	500
Chinese Alluminium Rolling Mills	500
Anderson Clayton	500
Anon	500
Shanghai Waterworks	400
Burkill & Sons	400
The Sun Co., Ltd.	400
China Soap Co.	400
The Sun Sun Co.	400
Volkart Bros	400
Shanghai Telephone Co.	350
Wing On Co.	300
Mr. Speelman	300
S'hai Electric Construction Co.	300
China Soap Co.—Yangtszepoo	300
Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Schmidt	300
Shanghai Power Co.	275
Imperial Chemicals Co.	250
Mr. Pao Feng	200
Mr. Chu	200
Benjamine Potts	200
Mr. T. Knudson	200
A.B.C. Co.	200
Ault and Wiborg	200
Henningsen Produce Co.	200
Jardine Matheson & Co.	200
Mr. Yao Chi	100
Mr. Ming Chi	100
Mr. Tien An Fang	100
Mr. Tang Bat	100
Mr. Leong Chew	20
Mr. Li Tzu Yang	20
Total	$36,415

Destroyers Leave to Escort Nomura

Honolulu, Jan. 31.

Two destroyers departed from Pearl Harbour late last night to meet the Kamakura Maru to escort the new Japanese Ambassador to Washington, Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, to Honolulu, it was announced early today.

Admiral Nomura will disembark from the Kamakura Maru at 8.30 a.m. today and will have a busy day fulfilling receptions and courtesy calls.—United Press.

Tuberculosis Specialist Dies in London

London, Jan. 31.

Sir Pendrill Varrier-Jones, internationally known tuberculosis specialist, died today following a heart attack at the age of 57.—Reuter.

Chungking to Improve Communications

Reorganization of Railways Already Under Way

Chungking, Jan. 31.

Plans for the improvement of communications during the coming years were outlined by the spokesman of the Ministry of Communications.

Referring to railways, the spokesman said that the railways at present operating are the Chekiang-Kiangsi, Canton-Hankow, Hunan-Kwangsi and Lunghai railways.

These railways hitherto had been entirely devoted to military transportation but they were already under reorganization and would soon be ready for commercial traffic.

Though only the eastern section of the Chekiang-Kiangsi railway was still operating, the spokesman stated that this section was the most important since it handled the products of rice and salt from the south-eastern provinces.

The Hunan-Kwangsi railway has already been extended to Kweilin and has recently been further extended into Kweichow province.

A section of the Lunghai railway is running eastward from Tungkwan over 100 miles. Following special arrangements the section will hereafter operate without interruption, despite Japanese artillery fire from across the Yellow river.

Following the reopening of the Burma road, the spokesman says that there are good prospects of the early completion of the Yunan-Burma, Suifu-Kunming railways. Sections of the two railways are expected to open for traffic during the coming year.

Referring to highways, the spokesman said that the authorities during the coming year will concentrate on the improvement of through highway traffic from Rangoon to Sinkiang via Kunming, Chungking, Chengtu and Lanchow.

Waterway communications between Szechuen and Hunan and also Szechuen and Shensi will be improved.

The number of ferries on the highways will be reduced, while bridges will be strengthened.

Referring to airways, the spokesman said that a United States airliner averages 175 hours a month in and in China, despite war conditions, an airliner averages 125 hours a month.

New airliners are expected to be purchased this year.

Negotiations are underway for through air traffic with India. The Ministry is also making plans to inaugurate air freight transportation.—Reuter.

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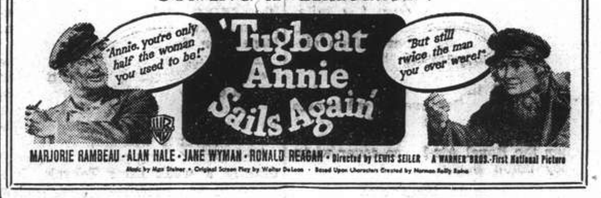

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Leniency Asked for Mr. Hayashi

Local Japanese Prepare Petition; Question Aired In House of Commons

A petition for leniency for Mr. Yukichi Hayashi now under preliminary examination on a charge of attempted murder will be presented to Japanese judicial authorities concerned by the Japanese Ratepayers' Association, it was decided by the Association's standing committee at its meeting on Thursday afternoon, according to Japanese reports.

The Federation appointed a four-man committee at Thursday's meeting to draft the petition.

They are Mr. Seigo Mimura, Vice President of the Federation of Amalgamated Japanese Street Unions, Mr. Gengo Yasui, President of the Shanghai Japanese Boy Scouts, Mr. Rokure Edo, of the Mitsui Yoko, and Mr. Teize Horiba, of the Shanghai Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co.

Question in Commons

London, Jan. 31.

The British Ambassador to Japan, Sir Robert Craigie, has made strong representations about the disorderly conduct of Japanese ratepayers in Shanghai and pressed for an early suitable punishment of Mr. Yukichi Hayashi, President of the Japanese Ratepayers' Association, who shot and wounded Mr. W. J. Keswick, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, on January 23.

This statement was made by Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons yesterday, in reply to questions by Sir John Wardlaw-Milne, Conservative member for the Kidderminster division of Worcestershire, and Colonel Sir Robert Vaughan Gower, Conservative member for the Gillingham division of Rochester.

The Japanese Government, Mr. Butler revealed, had informed Sir Robert Craigie that Mr. Hayashi was being brought back to Japan for trial, and that everything would be done to prevent a recurrence of the incident, which was greatly regretted. "Meanwhile, I have nothing further to add in reply to the questions. I am glad to say that Mr. Keswick's wounds are not serious."

Co-operation with U.S.

Sir John Wardlaw-Milne's question suggested that the Government should inform Tokyo that the Japanese claim for further representation on the Council would not receive the support of the British Government.

Sir John also asked whether Mr. Butler could give an assurance that the British Government in all matters affecting relations with China and Japan was working in close co-operation with the United States Government.

Mr. Butler replied that as had been made clear on more than one occasion in the past the Government maintained contact with the United States Government in all matters of common interest, and that remained their policy.—Reuter.

Col. Hornby Feted At Police Club

Retiring Officer Guest Of Honour; Many Present At Farewell Dinner

Major K. M. Bourne and officers of the Shanghai Municipal Police were hosts at a dinner party given in honour of Colonel J. W. Hornby, the retiring Commandant of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, at the Police Club yesterday evening.

Among those present were Major G. H. Mann, who is to replace Colonel Hornby as S.V.C. Commandant, Major H. S. Bartley, Captain J. Moffat, Messrs. T. Powell, G. E. Mitchell, G. G. Phillips, Captain R. V. Dewar-Durie, Major S. R. Hunt, Lt.-Comdr. C. S. Sheppard, Pay-Comdr. J. H. Kennedy, Major S. D. Ivanoff, Captain H. M. Smyth, Deputy Commissioners H. D. M. Robertson, T. Robertson, E. C. Baker, C. Akagi; Mr. W. C. Grant, Governor of Ward Road Gaol; Mr. H. E. Aiers, Assistant Commissioners G. J. Bennett, P. C. Liang, V. Sharman, A. H. Samson, W. J. MacDermott, H. R. Grubb, I. Kakegawa; Assistant Governor of Gaol C. Y. Yen, Deputy Governor of Gaol V. G. Westwood, Mr. R. G. MacDonald, Deputy Commissioner of Special Police, and Assistant Commissioners W. J. Gande and C. C. Tao of Special Police.

Colonel Hornby, who came to this city in December 1937 to take over the Shanghai Volunteer Corps from Colonel F. B. W. Graham, is expected to leave Shanghai about the middle of the month. It is believed that he will proceed to Hongkong where he will await further orders as to his destination.

His place as Commandant will be taken by Major Mann, an experienced Volunteer Corps officer, who was transferred to the S.V.C. Headquarters exactly a year ago today. Prior to his appointment to the S.V.C., Major Mann was with the engineering staff of the Municipal Public Works Department.

Major Mann's promotion to Lieut.-Colonel is effective from today. The future S.V.C. Commandant first joined the Shanghai Volunteer Corps in 1923 and gradually rose to the rank of Captain in 1929 when he was appointed officer commanding "A" Co. He resigned the following year, but rejoined "A" Company as a private in 1931, was again granted a commission and transferred to Group Headquarters' Staff in 1932.

He was promoted Major in 1935 and appointed Second-in-Command of "A" Battalion, later commanding it during Major E. S. Barraclough's leave of absence. In November 1939 he went to "B" Reserve of Officers and remained there until seconded from the Public Works Department to S.V.C. Staff last year.

Dr. Currie Arrives In Honolulu

Honolulu, Jan. 31.

Dr. Lauchlin Currie, President Roosevelt's administrative assistant, arrived here by Clipper today on his way to Chungking, where he is going on a special economic and observation mission.

"I wish to get a better picture of the situation in China," Mr. Currie told newspapermen.—United Press.

Annual General Meeting of St. Patrick's Society

Mr. W. G. Clarke Elected President for Third Year; Satisfactory Year for Society

THE Annual General Meeting of St. Patrick's Society was held yesterday in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson, many members of the organization being present. Mr. W. G. Clarke was elected President of the Society for the coming year, this being his third year in this capacity. In reading his report Mr. Clarke summed up the activities of the Society throughout 1940, stating that the year had been satisfactory, although some of its functions had been curtailed by the war.

Officers for 1941 were elected, the committee being as follows, Mr. W. G. Clarke, (President) Mr. A. J. H. Carey (Vice-President), Mr. E. F. Hardman, (Hon. Treasurer) Messrs. R. T. Carey, D. J. Collins, P. A. Corbett, B. Heenan, W. J. MacDermott, T. Murphy, R. E. O'Bolger, C. C. O'Connell, B. K. Wallace, J. F. Brister and C. Reeves. It was then decided to celebrate St. Patrick's Day in the same way as last year. It was also decided to increase the life membership fee from $60 to $120, effective from February 28.

Mr. W. G. Clarke's address follows:

"Before proceeding with the business noted on the Agenda, I would ask you to rise as a mark of respect to the following members passed away during the year:—Dr. W. R. Johnston, J. J. Dunn, James Barton, H. A. Keane.

"A year ago you were kind enough to do me the honour of electing me as President of the Society for the second year in succession. I thanked you then, and again thank you for this honour. I shall now give you an account of the year's activities on behalf of the Committee. As you will see from the notes accompanying the statement of accounts, no official celebration of March 17, was held due to conditions of which you are well aware. Ceremonies however were held at the war memorial and the cemetery, where wreaths were laid. A telegram expressing the loyalty of members was despatched to his Majesty the King, and telegrams of greetings were exchanged between our Sister Societies in various outports and also those Irish Regiments which had been in Shanghai.

Appeal for Charity

"Instead of our annual ball, a special appeal was made for members to subscribe to our charity funds, this resulted in the collection of $3,270 out of which the sum of $2,000 was earmarked as the nucleus of a new scholarship fund, and $1,270 as donations to our relief account. Regarding these collections you may wish to make some observations when the resolution to adopt the accounts is proposed.

"I am pleased to be able to tell you that all deserving Charity cases have been carefully attended to and satisfactorily dealt with by your Committee.

"In the course of the year we had our annual golf match against St. David's Society and won after very keen competition. It is rumoured that in order to try and defeat St. Patrick's team this year, the members of St. David's Society have engaged the services of a special coach. Our thanks are due to Messrs. Corbett, Hardman and others, for making necessary arrangements and selecting our team. I should like to mention that when times and conditions become easier, it is hoped to arrange inter-society competitions in both indoor and outdoor games, in fulfilment of challenges made by the several Presidents at meetings we had in the course of the year.

"Your President and Committee had the honour of entertaining at luncheons, Mr. A. H. George, H.B.M. Consul General, and the Presidents of other National Societies and also representatives of the Dominions and Colonies, including India.

Joint Telegram

"In May last, the Presidents of all National Societies in Shanghai and Chairman of various other British organizations joined together in a telegram, despatched to the Prime Minister, the Right Honorable Winston Churchill, wishing him success in his office and containing their assurance that his leadership would be characterized by energy and resolution to defeat the enemy. A letter by the same organizations was also sent to the French Consul General in Shanghai, expressing faith in the destiny of France. I am sure you will all agree that this faith has since been further strengthened by the admirable achievements of the Free French forces in the several war areas in which they are now engaged.

"During the year the British regiments left Shanghai and we were accorded, with other societies, an opportunity of contributing towards small farewell gifts to the troops. Had it been possible, we would have done much more to show how greatly we appreciated their services here.

"As you will see from the notes before you, there are now 131 members of the Society, including 48 life members; but many of them are absent from Shanghai; 17 members joined during the past year, while the names of 26 have now left Shanghai for good and have been reluctantly erased from the membership roll. I am pleased to say however, that in the last few days, we have more proposals for membership. I would again earnestly request all members in Shanghai to make every endeavour further to increase the membership of the Society, by searching out Irishmen and bringing them forward.

"Leaving us shortly are two of our very old members, one of whom is a past Vice-President. I refer to Messrs. Perrin and Carney. We greatly appreciate their services to the Society and wish them God speed and long life in their retirement. I do not propose to delay you long, but wish to point out that our Committee have considered certain alterations to our rules are necessary. These rules refer to the duties of the President and Life Membership fees and will be placed before you in the course of the evening.....

War-Fund Contributions

Before proposing the resolution for the adoption of the Society's accounts, I have a special request to make to all members here this evening and that is, to ask every one of you to become a member of the British Residents' Association. As your representative, I attend the meetings held by this Association and I can assure you that everything possible is being done to safeguard your interests. It is therefore your duty to support the Association in every possible way. I would also ask you all not only to continue your contributions to the various war funds now open in Shanghai, but, to try your best to increase them. As you will have seen from the papers, this war in which the British Empire is engaged, is costing the sum of thirteen million pounds a day, and it is up to us therefore, to support these war funds in every way we can. Many I know have been and are still investing in War Bonds and Savings Certificates at home. Let us all unite and determine to continue to do our very utmost in spite of the hard times we are experiencing.

"Having now completed my second year of office, I wish to again express my sincere thanks to all members of the Committee for their cooperation, invaluable assistance and advice, without which it would have been impossible for me to carry on. Special thanks are also due our Vice-President and Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. J. H. Carey, for the excellent work performed by him until his departure on leave. Unfortunately he is not with us today and on inquiry at his office this morning I was informed they had no news about him or date of his return. Following his departure, the duties of Hon. Secretary were undertaken by Mr. Wolfe Junior, who also left to join up and is now doing his bit for the British Empire. His work was of a very high order and appreciation of his services was expressed in a letter I wrote him on the eve of his departure."

"I should like to mention, that immediately following the destardly attempt at the recent ratepayer's meeting on the life of Mr. W. J. Keswick, the head of Jardines and Chairman of the Council, I conveyed to him our best wishes for a speedy recovery and received a very nice acknowledgement from him. I am sure I am voicing the feelings of you all in saying how pleased we are at his recovery and return to office, and ready for the next ratepayer's meeting on 5th February.

Hayashi Will Be Tried in Nagasaki

Preliminary Examination In Camera Will Conclude In Ten Days

The preliminary investigation conducted by the local Japanese judicial authorities into the part taken by Mr. Y. Hayashi in the incident of January 23, during the special meeting of ratepayers held at the Race Course is expected to be concluded within the next ten days, a Japanese spokesman at the weekly press conferences disclosed yesterday. Mr. Hayashi he continued, has confessed to the shooting of Mr. W. J. Keswick, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, but the question to be decided is whether he was guilty of attempted murder. The examination is being held in camera the spokesman said, adding that a number of witnesses had been interrogated.

On January 25, the spokesman said, Mr. Hayashi was formally charged with attempted murder at the instance of the Japanese Consular police and his formal trial will be held in Nagasaki.

Commenting on the forthcoming session of the special meeting of ratepayers on Wednesday next the spokesman declared that although the Japanese views have been clearly defined, that there will be no question regarding their abidance by the final decision on the matter of increased taxation.

Under the Japanese Criminal Code the spokesman explained, conviction on the capital charge carries with it a sentence of from three years to the supreme penalty while the penalty is reduced by half on a conviction for attempted murder. The investigation is being conducted by the judicial authorities he said to ascertain whether Mr. Hayashi was guilty of attempted murder or wounding in view of his admission that he had fired a shot at Mr. Keswick.

Armed Robbers Still On Holiday

Chinese armed robbers, it seems, were still on holiday yesterday. For more than twelve hours no crimes were reported to the Settlement police stations. The first armed robbery of the day was staged at 5 a.m. and resulted in theft of $500. From then on and up to 5.40 p.m. the International Settlement was quiet.

At 5.40 p.m. a gang of three robbers entered 206 Connaught Road where one of the trio whipped out a pistol and attempted to intimidate the three persons who were on the premises. One of the latter, however, raised an alarm. The robbers took to their heels and the armed man jumped out of a window, but was caught by one of the inmates and disarmed.

The detained man was handed over to the police, with his pistol and thirteen rounds of ammunition. In their haste to escape, the robbers failed to take a single thing from the house.

FUNERAL

Mrs. Nellie Rowsell

In the presence of a large attendance of relatives and mourners funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Hungjao Road Cemetery for the late Mrs. Nellie Rowsell, widow of the late Frederick James Rowsell and mother of Mrs. Manuel A. Ferras, Annie and Harry. The funeral cortege left from the parlours of the International Funeral Directors on Kiaochow Road for the cemetery where religious services were held at the graveside by Dean A. C. S. Trivett of Holy Trinity Cathedral. A beautiful spray of sweet-peas and lilies from Annie, Harry, Bessie and grand-children Patricia and Donald, was lowered into the grave with the casket. The pallbearers were Messrs:—A. G. J. McKerrow, H. P. Madar, B. Reynolds, K. H. Schlager, C. Souza and R. Stephan.

Le Ballet Russe Scores Again

"Les Presages" Superb at Lyceum on Thursday; Held Improvement on Massine

Le Ballet Russe on Thursday night was "Les Présages" and nothing else. It was superb. I went back-stage at the end of the evening to find out whose choreography it was that I had just seen, for the programme gave no indication. A fleeting glimpse of Miss Audrey King—I called out to her and asked the name of the choreographer—she told me it was she. And all I could stammer out in reply was "Thank you very much."

Perhaps those words, even without a note of congratulation, were enough. It was what the whole audience thought, "Thank you very much." For "Les Présages" was a masterpiece. The ballet was obviously not Massine, yet as obviously a development from him. In some ways, if I may say so at the risk of offending the true *balletomane*, it was an improvement.

Above all else the presentation was superbly dramatic. The weaknesses of the *corps de ballet* and *décor* were swept away in the essential drama and unfolding of the story of all mankind. What matter that Kojevnikova's opening movements were just behind the beat, her personality and the wealth of gesture in her arms were beyond reproach; what matter that the *pas de bourée* of the *corps de ballet* was deplorable, their essential grouping and architectural structure was perfect; what matter that the legs of Yanover and Lantzoff were as jelly, their part and entity were as integral as the very music.

Plausibility Demand Met

Noverre wrote that the first requisite of ballet is plausibility. "Les Présages" on Thursday night was so and more, for its dramatic sense was a storm that strikes one. Real faults there were and they lay in the strange costume of the four attendants of Toil and in the unaccountable change of lighting from a perfect bluish grey to a horrible mauve which took place as Audrey King and Svetlanoff danced from one side of the stage to the other.

If individuals are to be singled out, then their names were Audrey King and Bobinina. Audrey King's every movement and every expression was part of her role. To watch her face was to see developing the whole history of woman. This complete subjugation of the body to the dance is all too rare. So many interpreters, as did the classical ballerinas, concentrate only on movement.

In such as "Les Présages" this is not enough. The whole of the dancer, from face to minutest detail, must be focussed on the part and the entity that is being played. Bobinina was beautiful in her movement and grace. Her limbs flowed from gesture to gesture without any of that pause or break which so easily ruins the plausibility of ballet.

"Carnival" Unconvincing

"Carnival," as was to be expected, was unconvincing. Arnold Haskell writes of "Carnival," "The fault of most productions is that the roles tend to become blurred and assume one another's characteristics." This was only too true. "Carnival" suffered as it always does when separated from Fokine. On Thursday it was not plausible, neither in choreography nor in *décor*.

The highlight of it was the dancing of Lantzoff as Harlequin. He was grace, and every movement was eloquent. In fact Lantzoff was a perfect example of "technique is a means and never an end." If his *entrechats* were of only two changes, it mattered not one fig, for the grace and ease with which he executed each movement was true artistry. He, Bobinina, Jay Blackwood and Roth gave their all to redeem "Carnival." But alas, "Carnival" is a relic of an age that has died leaving us but the faintest conception of true Romanticism and the ineffable spirit that surrounded it.

Orchestra Integral Part

As great as the choreography of Audrey King, was the advent of the Municipal Orchestra. Hitherto the orchestra has been a severe handicap to the ballet. On Thursday this was completely remedied with the music an integral part of the production. Never once did the orchestra obtrude with bad musicianship. For, as ballet is composed of three arts, painting, plastic art and music, the greatest of the three is music.—G.H.

Distinguished Visitor In Shanghai

Noted Annamite Author on Way to Tokyo

A distinguished visitor to Shanghai at present in this city, is M. Nguyen Tien Lang, Annamite author of works in the French language, mandarin at the Annam court, and son-in-law of Premier Pham Quyen of Annam.

On his way to Tokyo to join the French delegation entrusted with negotiating economic questions with the Japanese Government, M. Nguyen intends to remain in Shanghai several days.

In an interview with the French Radio Station, M. Nguyen, who was at one time head of the Emperor of Annam's press bureau and personal secretary to the Empress said:

"The French catastrophe was absolutely unexpected for all of us, as we firmly believed in a French victory. Defeat, however, never impaired our loyalty, and I can state that the idea of dissidence never struck us for a moment.

"France, the country we love for what it has done for us and for the way she did it without encroaching on our aspirations and cultural heritage, is unhappy, but she will recover her greatness. As far as we are concerned, there is only one thing that we can do: share her trials, and help in her reconstruction which, for us, finds expression in but one word, one name: Marshal Petain.

The Marshal is bringing about his reforms and his national revolution on the basis of a doctrine containing three essential elements: work, family, and mother country. These are the principles which have always impressed us Annamites. The Annamite people live in an atmosphere of family morals, and its deepest respect goes to order, hierarchy and authority. Marshal Petain stands for all this.

"It is also very important to us that His Majesty Emperor Bao Dai has since the very first days expressed his admiration for the Marshal. At all solemn functions at our Imperial court, he recalls the importance of the leader's activity and of the adherence which our people must show to his reforms and his authority.

"Indo-China is calm and orderly, it is economically prosperous, and its exports continue. Life is not expensive there. The Indo-Chinese know that the entire world is going through a crisis and they must consider themselves privileged. They know that the French Government does not forget them, and they desire only to continue their existence under France's protection. We can look to the future with confidence."

New Bridge to Span Yalu River

Changchun, Jan. 31.

A new bridge over the Yalu River bordering on Chosen and Manchoukuo is to be constructed at an estimated cost of Y1,500,000. The bridge will be completed in about two years.—Reuter.

Tribute Paid to Mr. J. W. P. Marsh

Resigns From B.R.A. Group To Join Up; Statement on War Savings Bonds

At the regular fortnightly meeting of the General Committee of the B.R.A. held on January 30 the Chairman announced that he had received a letter of resignation from the Committee from Mr. J.W.P. Marsh, who is leaving Shanghai shortly to join up with His Majesty's Forces in Singapore.

Mr. Marsh's resignation was accepted with regret and his energetic work on behalf of Shanghai war efforts will be much missed. The best wishes of the Association were extended to him on his departure for active service.

The Chairman said that the Association had received a joint announcement from the managers of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corp., and the Mercantile Bank of India Ltd., of considerable interest to subscribers to the Shanghai War Savings Association, to the effect that these three British Banks are prepared to advance up to 85 per cent. in sterling of holdings in the War Savings Association provided such advance is required to meet a genuine emergency. The rate of interest would be the very reasonable one of 3 per cent. per annum. The managers of the banks had also stated that they regard funds in the Shanghai War Savings Association as a suitable security for facilities granted to their clients in the ordinary course of business.

War Risk Rates Greatly Reduced

Increased Confidence Reflected in London

Advices received here from London, lowering the war risk rates, reflect increased confidence in Britain's mastery of the seas. It is believed that the successful African campaign has had a great deal to do with these reduced rates, prompting insurance companies to give more favourable terms. It is significant that it is felt possible in London to make these changes at this time, and although they only come into effect on certain voyages, the general tendency is obviously one of rising confidence.

The revised list offers reduced war risk rates on almost every route except the Atlantic and the Mediterranean Sea. The rate from Shanghai to South, Central and North America via Panama has been reduced from 1⅝ to 1½ per cent; from Shanghai to the Americas via the Cape of Good Hope from 4½ to 4 per cent. The rate from Shanghai to India has been lowered ½ per cent. from 3 to 2½ per cent. that to the Persian Gulf being similarly revised. Rates from Shanghai to Africa, South of the Equator, have been reduced by 1 per cent.

New Orders to Japan Shipping Firms

No Indo-China Goods to Go to Foreign Ports

Saigon, Jan. 31.

Japan has forbidden Japanese ships to carry goods from French Indo-China to foreign ports in counteraction to an officially-inspired British boycott of Japanese vessels, it was learned yesterday.

British officials in Hongkong last week issued a notice that goods shipped from Indo-China to British possessions in Japanese ships would not be allowed to unload in British territories.

The Japanese boycott applies especially to carrying Indo-Chinese goods to British ports, it was understood.

The Japanese order indicated Japan expects soon to obtain all of Indo-China's products for itself. It was known, meanwhile, that the French recently promised the Japanese 700,000 tons of the coming rice harvest for a fixed, cheap price, payable in blocked yen.

The Japanese were believed by informed sources here to be attempting at present to obtain a monopoly of Indo-China's 60,000-tons-a-year rubber harvest.

The French were said to be resisting this attempt because planters usually sell to the U.S. and do not want the blocked yen, which, informed sources said, was practically worthless.—United Press.

The next annual general meeting of the Chinese Red Cross Society will be convened at Hongkong on February 21, says a Hongkong message to the "Cheng Yien Pao." Mr. Hsu Shih-Ying, former Chinese Ambassador to Tokyo, and now chairman of the National Refugee Relief Commission, arrived at Hongkong from Chungking by plane on January 25, to make the necessary preparations, the report adds.

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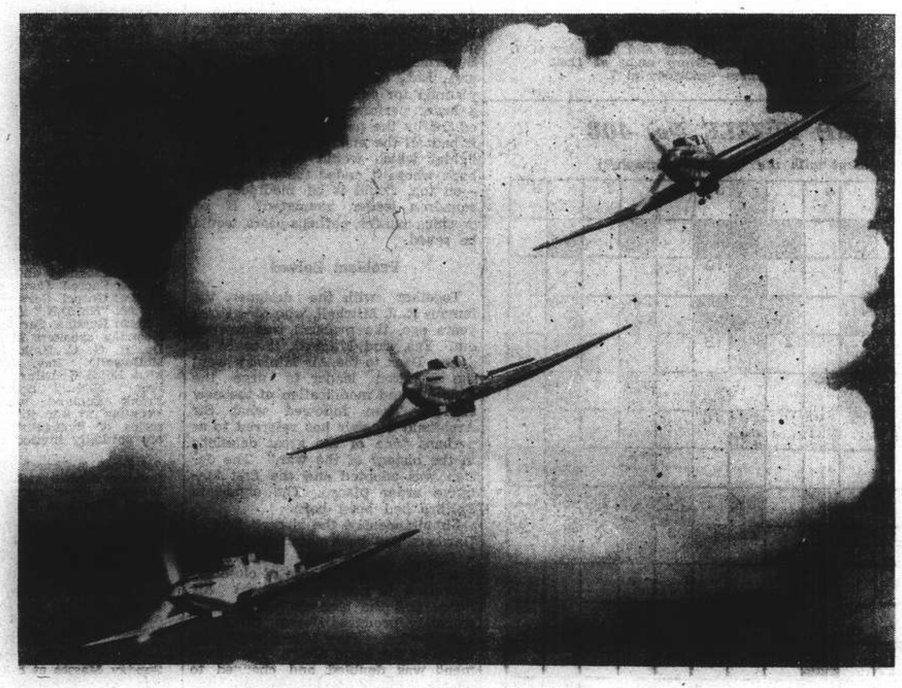

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

S.M.C. Finance:
A Radical Proposal

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—It is the usual custom in Shanghai to air one's views in the press prior to any Ratepayers' Meeting, and much is written, but when the time really comes to talk before an audience, then an attack of cold feet (not caused by the weather) appears and we all obey order and vote for all resolutions as commanded. It has been interesting to read all the various suggestions on what the Council should do to raise the amount they require but very little is said as to what this amount is required for.

It would be illuminating, to say the least, if the Council would issue a statement showing exactly, in a clear manner, how and where the money is spent and what portion goes towards pensions, superannuations, home leave allowances, and what portion goes forward to the purely local dollar employees such as the policemen, who bear the greatest responsibility in our model Settlement. There seems to be only one sensible way out of all present difficulties. Any other form would be just a continual bolstering of an unhealthy situation.

The Council should go into voluntary bankruptcy and when reformed should remember that we are living in China, and any benefits derived from working here should only be in the currency of this country without any exceptions.

JUST ANOTHER DOCILE RATEPAYER.

Shanghai, Jan. 31.

B.W.A. Sports Section:
A Successful Supper Dance

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Through the hospitality of your columns may we inform the public that the Supper Dance held by the Sports Section of the B.W.A. on January 11 realized $1,160, which is being handed to the Treasurer of the B.W.A. War Work Fund.

Whilst thanking everybody who so kindly supported the effort and those who assisted in so many ways in its preparation, we would in particular like to thank the Stewards of the Race Club who generously gave the use of the Green Room.

(MRS.) DOROTHY M. BOALER,
Chairman Sports Section.

Shanghai, Jan. 30.

Soup:
Is It Eaten?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—There seems to be a lot of controversy over this question, and I wonder if some readers of your esteemed paper would give their opinions.

This is the question, and I should like to know which is correct: "To eat one's soup" or "To drink one's soup."

PUZZLED BILLY

Shanghai, Jan. 31.

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6.30 Chinese music.
6.35 News in Chinese (Mandarin).
7.00 Light music.
7.20 Music by Russian composers.
7.30 News in Russian.
7.45 Music by Russian composers.
7.50 Light music.
8.00 Causerie by Mme Claude Rivière. Mr. Nguyen Tien Lang, Annamite writer and poet: Annamite and French culture in Indochina.
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8.45 Light music.
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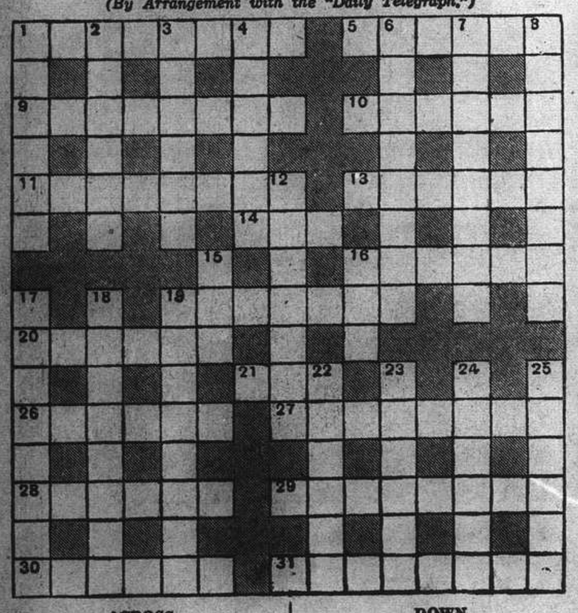
9.00	"	25.53	11.75
9.00	" Via H'Kong	31.49	9.53
9.00	" Via Australia	31.32	9.58
12.00	"	31.74	9.45
12.00	"	49.10	6.11
6.35	Manila	31.35	9.57
8.45	"	31.09	9.65
8.30	San Francisco	31.02	9.67
7.45	Australia	31.20	9.61

CROSSWORD PUZZLE No. 408

(By Arrangement with the "Daily Telegraph.")



ACROSS

1 Bad word in a book used by sailors (8)
5 Practical epithet (6)
9 Flower is most of a star (8)
10 If you can't afford his works act on his name (6)
11 The sort of untrustworthy person who might make a good sentry (8)
13 Burning this destroys lines of communications (6)
14 Rank in 10 across (3)
18 At one (6)
19 One of the greens (7)
20 Go back always in the middle (6)
21 Have this in to start (3)
26 A sign that the ruler is a bad one? (6)
27 Politically faithful (two words—4, 4)
28 Game relations invite a call (two words—4, 2)
29 A new silk made resembling a bird (8)
30 What to do, possibly, to open port (6)
31 Bee line is this line (8)

DOWN

1 May be tigers from the middle (6)
2 10 across was one (6)
3 The lady's foreign dance is botanical (6)
4 Fishy shape of storey (6)
6 Primitive era, one in drama (two words—5, 3)
7 Start round from here (two words—5, 3)
8 Not of high quality but good enough for gold ware (two words—3, 5)
12 Garment worth two of a singlet? (7)
15 Seed from 1 across (3)
16 6 down was long this (3)
17 Add R to 12 down and make it stirred up (8)
18 "O red oven" (anag.) (too red apparently) (8)
19 Folk can get from one side of a river to the other by this (8)
22 A characteristic of living things (6)
23 He has been a cause of many sore arms (6)
24 After catching it stand it on its tail to keep it fresh (6)
25 Put material to consume and the same again (6)

YDAY'S SOLUTION.—ACROSS: 1, Pitchpine; 8, Batter pudding; 11, Pike; 12, Mirim; 13, Fist; 16, Coding; 17, Hock cup; 18, Leipzig; 20, Concern; 21, Trim; 22, Daisy; 23, Ling; 26, Balance in hand; 27, Personage. DOWN: 2, Iota; 3, Curling; 4, Prudish; 5, Nods; 6, Lackadaisical; 7, Indiscretions; 9, Speculate; 10, Stop and go; 14, Dizzy; 15, Scone; 19, Glances; 20, Cushion; 24, Cape; 25, Shag.

BY SAPAJOU

Le Ballet Russe at the Lyceum

The Spitfire and Hurricane

Development of Powerful Fighters to Meet Menace Of Fast Bombers

About five years ago a specialist of the R.A.F. visited an aircraft factory to discuss a secret specification drawn up by the Air Staff for a new type of single-seat fighter, writes the "Manchester Guardian." It called for a speed and armament greatly in excess of anything then known. Six or even eight guns were the aim and a speed around 350 m.p.h. It was to be a reply to the hordes of new fast bombers which Germany was known to be producing ready for her second attempt to dominate the world.

The creation of a new type of modern aircraft is a long and complex business. To get this projected new design on the drawing-board and then to make it and fly it would mean many long months. A year or more would necessarily pass before the new machine could get beyond the prototype stage. Production stage would not be reached perhaps for two years more. Meanwhile Britain's existing fighters were actually slower than the new German bombers already in production.

At the works the squadron leader was shown a new high-speed monoplane fighter, developed and built as a private venture by the firm, the Supermarine Aviation Works (Vickers), Ltd., as it was then. It was planned for only four guns and had a lower performance than that called for by the new specification. But it had all the makings of a first-class fighter which would put the R.A.F. back where it ended the war in 1918—on top. Could it be modified, the squadron leader wondered? If so, precious months, perhaps years, would be saved.

Problem Solved

Together with the designer, the famous R. J. Mitchell, who died three years ago, the problem was worked out. Yes, said Mitchell, it could be done. Back to the Air Ministry went the squadron leader to urge the adoption and modification of the new aircraft. Then followed what Sir Archibald Sinclair has referred to as perhaps "one of the great decisions in the history of the war." The design was adopted and the first tentative order placed. The eight-gun Spitfire had been born.

Simultaneously, the aircraft firm of Hawkers had been asked to produce a fighter to the same specification. Here again it was a case of close co-operation between the Royal Air Force and the aircraft industry. A privately produced design, the four-gun Hawker "Fury Monoplane," was taken as the basic design. The armament was doubled and changed to wing position, a more powerful engine was specified, and other modifications were made. To Mr. Sydney Camm, chief designer of Hawker Aircraft, Ltd., goes much of the credit of the job. The result was the eight-gun Hurricane—a fine single-seat fighter which has shared with the Spitfire the honour of beating back the might of Goering's bombers.

Fakir of Ipi Reported In Contact with Nazis

New Delhi, Jan. 31.

The Fakir of Ipi, whose turbulent activities on the North West Frontier of India have made him a notorious figure, is now making contact with enemy quarters in Afghanistan, according to reports reaching New Delhi.

The influence of German propaganda in Afghanistan, where there is a considerable German colony, is becoming noticeable, it is learned. A large number of German pamphlets are being circulated in various parts of Afghanistan and are filtering into tribal areas adjoining the British Indian frontier.—Reuter.

CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Trinity Cathedral.—Feb. 2.—4th Sunday After Epiphany. Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. 9 a.m. Holy Communion (also in Bubbling Well Chapel) 10.30 a.m. Mattins and Sermon. Psalm: 60. Lessons: I Samuel 1, 21-end, Hebrew 10, 1-10. Naylor in E flat. Hymns: 407 (E.H.) 82. Preacher: Rev. P. C. Matthews, M.A. 10.30 a.m. Children's Service. Preacher: Prof. R. J. Salmon M.S. 11.45 a.m. Holy Communion. 3 p.m. Sunday School—Cathedral Girls' School. 6 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Psalm: 63. Lessons: Haggai 2, 1-9; Romans 12,1-5. Hymns: 298, 12, 176, 477. Preacher: Rev. G. A. Scott. 6 p.m. Bubbling Well Chapel: Preacher: The Dean. (Mattins at 10.30 a.m. will be broadcast from Cathedral over Stations XMHC., 700 kc., and XCDN., 1440 kc., daily intercessions at 12.10 p.m. from XMHC. only).

St. John's Pro-Cathedral, Jessfield.—Evening Prayer in English at 6 p.m. Preacher: Rt. Rev. W. P. Roberts.

Union Church (International and Interdenominational), 107 Soochow Road (near the British Consulate-General).—Officiating Minister; Rev. C. Wilfrid Allan.—10.45, Morning Worship. Preacher, Rev. C. W. Allan. This service will be followed by the monthly Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; 10.45, Children's Morning Service in the Church Hall; 3, Afternoon School at 1292 Avenue Joffre.—Tuesday, 3-5, Fortnightly Meeting of the Women's Guild in the Church Hall;—Friday, 5.30, Choir rehearsal.

Church of the Air Programme.
Station XMHD. (760 kc., 395m.)
Sunday Feb. 2.
10.00: XMHD Service (Rev. A. Hayman).
11.00: Sacred Music.
12.00: Sermon Dr. Bob Jones.
16.00: Organ Music.
16.30: Bible Study. (Rev. G. A. Jacobson).
19.45: "Miracles and Melodies."
20.00: XMHD. Sacred Concert
20.30: Gospel Service (Mr. A. E. Phillips).
21.15: Russian Evangelistic Service and Music.
Weekdays, Feb. 3-8
7.30: Sacred Music
8.30: Thought for the Day (Rev. G. A. Jacobson).
9.00: Prayer & Music for sick
12.00: Popular Music
12.45 "N.C.D.N." News Broadcast
13.10: Devotional Service and Song
16.00: Sacred Music
17.00: Classical and Popular Music
20.00: Sacred Concert
20.30: Gospel Service and Song
21.00: "N.C.D.N." News Broadcast
21.30: Russian Service (Tuesday)
Noonday speakers Mr. K. Faulkner, Dr. H. G. C. Hallock, Rev. Wm. McDowall, Rev. A. Reinhard, Miss Edith Spurling, Rev. F. S. Barling. Nightly Speaker Evangelist Frank England will speak each evening at 8.30 this week, giving a series of Evangelistic Messages. All are cordially invited to "Tune In."

Saint Joseph's Church (Rue Montauban) Sunday: Masses at 5.15, 6, 7, 8.15 and 10.30 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 6 and 7.30 a.m.

Saint Peter's Church (Avenue Dubail) Sunday: Masses at 5.15, 6, 7, 8, 9.15, 11 a.m. Weekdays: Masses at 5.15, 6, 6.45 and 7.30 a.m.

Saint Theresa's Church (370 Tatung Road) Sunday: Masses at 6.15, 7, 8 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 6.15 7 a.m.

Our Lady's Church (694 Baikal Road) Sunday Masses at 6.30; 7.15; and 8.30 a.m. Benediction of Blessed Sacrament at 3 p.m. Weekdays Mass at 7 a.m.

Saint John Bosco's Church (740 Hangchow Road) Sunday Masses at 7, 8, 9 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekday Masses at 6.30 a.m.

Russian Catholic Church (235A Rue Bourgeat) Sunday Mass at 9 a.m. Weekdays at 6.45 a.m.

Church of St. Aloysius Gonzaga (734 Kiaochow Road) Sunday: Masses at 6.7, 8 and 9.30 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 5.30 6 and 6.30 a.m.

Church of Christ the King (235 Rue Bourgeat) Masses on Sunday at 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. a.m. Benediction at 6.30 p.m. Masses Weekdays at 7 and 8 a.m. Catechism classes every Saturday at 9 a.m.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Shanghai, 1647 Avenue Road, Sunday Service 11 a.m. Subject: "Love" Sunday School 9.45 a.m. Testimonial Meeting, Wednesday, 6 p.m. Reading Room at the Church open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10.30 to 12.30; Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m.

Shanghai Free Christian Church (Evangelical) 5 Tifeng Road. The Services on Sunday will be conducted as follows:—Morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. E. A. Erny. Communion service at close. At 3 p.m. Sunday-school and Bible Class. Evening at 6 o'clock by Mr. Frank England. Services during the week:—Monday at 8 p.m. Young People's Meeting. Thursday afternoon at close. At 3 p.m., Sunday-school and at 5.45 Prayer Meeting. Christian Science Broadcast, XMHA, Sunday at 6.30 p.m.

Endeavourers Church.—Morning service will be held at 9.15 a.m. in the hall of the Shanghai Free Christian Church, 5 Tifeng Road. Following the morning service there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion. The pastor, Rev. H. G. C. Hallock, Ph. D., will preside at both services. Mid-week prayer meeting will be held at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday in room 305, Missions Building, 169 Yuen Ming Yuen Road.

Community Church.—The Rev. M. T. Rankin, D. D., secretary of the Southern Baptist Mission, will preach in Community Church Sunday at 11 a.m. on the theme, "Mansions of the Spirit." Mr. R. V. Dent will be at the organ. The choir will sing "There Is No Sorrow, Lord" by Godfrey. Edgar Lissner will sing "Omnipotent" by Schubert. The Church School will meet at 9.30 a.m. The Young People will meet in the Pastor's Apartment at 5.30 p.m. The Navy "Y." will have its programme for Service Men at 6 p.m.

Bethesda Gospel Hall.—(International) 729 Yu Yuen Road, Shanghai Gospel Services are held in: German: Sundays Breaking of Bread Meeting at 3.30, 4.30 p.m. Sundays Bible Class at 5-6 p.m. Wednesdays Bible Class for Ladies at 4-5.30 p.m. English: Tuesdays Prayer Meeting at 5.30-6.30 p.m. Chinese: Sunday Breaking of Bread Meeting at 10-11.30 a.m. Sundays Gospel Meeting at 2.30-4 p.m. Thursdays Prayer Meeting at 6-7.30 p.m. Fridays Bible Class at 5.30-7 p.m.

Foreign Y.M.C.A. Informal Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m. in the Junior Division room, (Mezzanine Floor). Speaker Mr. A. Whitelaw. All welcome.

Society of Friends (Quakers)—A meeting for worship to which all are welcome will be held at 6 p.m. on Sunday in room "D" at the Foreign Y.M.C.A., 150 Bubbling Well Road.

Shanghai Hebrew Mission.—Alliance Hall Home, 703 N. Szechuen Road. Sunday 10.30 a.m. Rev. S. A. Dykstra Wednesday 3.30 p.m. Rev. E. Andill Ford Lane Home, 56 Ford Lane Road. Sunday 10.30 a.m. Rev. H. Owen Wednesday 3.30 p.m. Rev. F. S. Barling. Messages are interpreted from English into German. Visitors welcome.

American Arms for The Home Guard

Rifles and Revolvers In First Cargo

A cargo of rifles, revolvers, and ammunition, the first of hundreds of thousands that are being collected from homes in America, has just arrived in this country, says the "Manchester Guardian" of November 14. The arms were distributed to members of the Home Guard on duty at an aeroplane factory. More shipments are on the way. They are all gifts from "The American Committee for the Defence of British Homes."

One crate was packed with old frontier buffalo guns. A further case contained rifles made in 1873—the year when there was civil war in Louisiana, and General Candy and his men were massacred by the Modoc Indians, near Oregon. No one could tell where these old arms came from. Each had twenty rounds of ammunition and was still in perfect firing condition. It was one condition of the collection in America that no gun would be accepted unless there were twenty rounds of ammunition as well.

There was very little old-fashioned material. There were, in fact, some of the most modern revolvers now in use. There were Army officers' and police officers' guns. One widow sent the revolver that had belonged to her husband when he was an officer in the Army. There was a revolver from Professor G. H. Macurdy, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York, a deadly Mauser (German-made) automatic pistol given by Dr. A. P. Krueger, Department of Bacteriology, University of California, and many from individual women. One man, his name is unknown, sent 100 rifles in first-rate condition and 50,000 rounds of ammunition.

CHINA'S SKIES FOR FEBRUARY

4.—At 3 a.m. Jupiter and the Moon in Conjunction. Jupiter 2° N.
4.—At 5 a.m. Saturn and Moon in conjunction. Saturn 0°, 7 N.
11.—Mercury; Greatest Elongation, 18° E.
21.—At 3 a.m. Jupiter and Saturn in conjunction, Jupiter 1°, 4 N.
21.—At 11 a.m. Mars and Moon in conjunction. Mars 5° S.
25.—At 10 a.m. Venus and Moon in Conjunction. Venus 5° S.
26.—Mercury; inferior conjunction.

Constellations at 8 p.m.

In the north, Ursa Major and Cassiopeia are symetrically east and west of the meridian. Capella has just crossed the meridian, near the zenith. In the east Spica Virginia is rising. A little higher-Regulus Leonis crosses the first vertical. Procyon and Gemini near the meridian. In the south. Orion crosses the meridian. Sirius and Canopus cross, but Canopus is near the horizon. In the west are Aldebaran, Pleiades and Aries.

Phases of The Moon

4.—First Quarter	7.42 p.m.
12.—Full Moon	8.26 a.m.
19.—Last Quarter	2.07 a.m.
26.—New Moon	11.02 a.m.
3.—Moon in Apogee	10.00 a.m.
26.—Moon in Perigee	4.00 a.m.

RISING AND SETTING OF MOON

	Rises	South	Sets
1.—	9.31 a.m.	3.45 p.m.	10.04 p.m.
5.—	11.52 a.m.	6.41 p.m.	0.40 a.m.
10.—	4.04 p.m.	10.57 p.m.	5.00 a.m.
15.—	9.24 p.m.	2.32 a.m.	8.40 a.m.
20.—	1.37 a.m.	7.06 a.m.	0.32 p.m.
25.—	5.42 a.m.	11.25 a.m.	5.13 p.m.

RISING AND SETTING OF SUN

	Rises	Mean-Apparent	Sets
1.—	6.53 a.m.	add 13 m. 39 s.	5.35 p.m.
8.—	6.48 a.m.	add 14 m. 17 s.	5.41 p.m.
15.—	6.42 a.m.	add 14 m. 16 s.	5.47 p.m.
22.—	6.35 a.m.	add 13 m. 40 s.	5.53 p.m.

Aspect of Principal Planets

Mercury in the constellation Capricornius, moves through the constellation Aquarius. Rises, on the 1st at 7.46 a.m. and on the 16th at 7.21 a.m. Sets on the 1st at 6.38 p.m. Wand on the 16th at 6.59 p.m. Stell. magn. —0, 9 and +0, 4.

Venus in the constellation Sagittarius, moves through Capricornius and at the end of the month, enters Aquarius. Rises southeast by east on the 1st at 5.50 a.m. and on the 16th at 5.59 a.m. Sets at 4 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. Mag. 3 4.

Mars in the constellation Sagittarius. Morning Star, rises southeast by east on the 1st at 3.25 a.m., and on the 16th at 3.14 a.m.

Jupiter in Aries, rises east on the 1st at 11.04 a.m. sets at midnight. Rises on the 16th at 10.12 a.m., sets at 11.16 p.m. Mag. —2, 0 and —1, 9. Visible during the first part of the night.

Saturn in the constellation, Arises. Rises on the 1st at 11.12 a.m. and sets west at midnight. Rises on the 16th at 10.15 a.m., sets at 11.16 p.m. Magn. +0. 5. Evening Star.

Uranus in the constellation, Taurus rises on the 1st at 11.48 a.m. northeast by east sets at 1.18 a.m. On the 16th at 10.50 a.m. and 0.20 a.m. Magn. 6. 0.

Neptune in the constellation. Virgo, rises on the 1st east at 9 p.m. and sets west at 9 a.m. On the 16th at 3 p.m. and 8.15 a.m. Magnitude 8, 0.

Lunar Occultations at Shanghai

	Star	mag.	age of the Ph.	M.	at	P
1.—	BD +2° 80	6.6	D	5.0	7.06 p.m.	83°
19.—	49 Librae	5.5	R	22.3	2.42 a.m.	297
20.—	BD—18° 4372	6.5	R	23.4	3.28 a.m.	286

British Trawler Sunk

London, Jan. 31.

The trawler Pelton (Hull, 358 tons) has been sunk, with casualties, states an announcement by the Admiralty.—Reuter.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF FEBRUARY 1, 1871

The safety of the Andromeda has now become so far assured that it has not been thought necessary to keep the Deluge alongside her. Coal has almost all been discharged from the part affected, beyond which there is no anticipation of spontaneous combustion arising. The engine was called into requisition occasionally during the last night of her stay, to drench the heating and heated mass, which has now become so thoroughly extinguished and cooled as to preclude all chance of further trouble.

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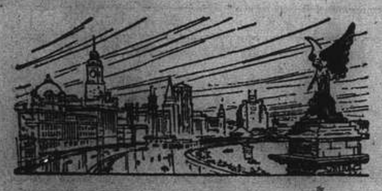

NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS

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ON ITALIAN FRONTS

The quickness with which Derna in Libya has been captured must occasion very considerable surprise, though it clearly shows how the British and Allied forces have taken advantage of the character of the terrain and followed closely upon the heels of the retreating Italians. What is even more surprising is the fact that the Italians apparently made no serious attempt to hold the position, despite the fact that it was better fortified than either Tobruk or Bardia, for though it is stated that the Italians offered more resistance than at any time during the present campaign the British were able to occupy the town after a short but terrific attack. That the Italians were unable to put up a better show was in all probability due to inferior numbers and poor *moral*. It is unlikely that the British forces will be able to progress towards Benghazi, the capital of Libya, at anything like the speed they have been maintaining ever since General Sir Archibald Wavell opened his campaign. The terrain which has now to be covered changes from the comparatively level wide spaces of desert into hills and ravines, which will oblige them to remain largely on the main roads, while these same natural features may prove to be of some assistance to the Italians should they decide to make a stand.

The distance from Derna to Benghazi as the crow flies is some 150 miles. By the roads it will be somewhat longer, and the speed of the British advance will depend to a great extent upon the rate at which the hills and ravines commanding the highways can be cleared of Italian troops who might otherwise threaten the flanks of the advancing columns. For that reason it would be unwise to expect any such spectacular developments as have so quickly followed each other since the British and their Allies launched the original attack upon Sidi Barrani, for it may very well prove to be the case that they are in fact entering upon the hardest phase of the whole campaign. That they will be greatly assisted by the very substantial reduction of the Italian forces is true, but there is always a possibility that the Italians may fight more desperately the nearer they are obliged to fall back upon the capital.

In Albania the Italian counter-offensive, which General Ugo Cavallero hoped would retrieve his army's defeats at the hands of the Greeks, has been broken off. Every effort made in this counter-attack has cost the Italians dearly in men and materials, while the Greeks have not only held on to their positions but are reported now to be making further gains. All this is despite the fact that General Cavallero has been using aeroplanes and tanks in greater numbers and on terrain better suited for mechanized arms than were the mountains and ravines further south. It is reported that he intends to await the arrival of more reinforcements before attacking again, suggesting that the Italian adventure against Greece, which was, according to the Italian view, to have been something in the nature of a walk-over, is continuing to prove as expensive now as it was when the Greeks threw the Italians across the Greco-Albanian border.

In the meantime the British are closely following the Italian retreat in Eritrea where the Italians may decide to make a stand somewhere south of Agordat. From Kenya there is a slow advance into Abyssinia, while newly trained Abyssinian troops are moving forward to go to the assistance of their nationals when they are ready to rise against the Italians. Very considerable anxiety is being felt as to the fate of the 200,000 Italian settlers in the country. It is reported that they are concentrating in the larger towns, and may be able to protect themselves, though there would have been very considerable relief if the Italians had accepted the British suggestion to evacuate the women and children. To have done so would have amounted to an admission of the probability of defeat it is true, but the safety of noncombatants must surely be of more importance to the Italians than clinging frantically to an *amour propre* which has already suffered so badly.

HITLER'S OUTBURST

Hitler, on the eighth anniversary of his accession to power, has delivered himself of the usual type of ranting speech which the world has long been accustomed to hear from him. In a long tirade full of shrill bombast and untruth, he again makes a promise to his people, namely, that this year will be a historical one of a great new order in Europe, breaking tyranny and special privileges,—in other words victory for Germany in 1941. On this occasion he has not been quite so precise as he has in the past, but he may rest assured that, just as the British foiled him in August and September of last year, when they completely threw his timetable out of gear, so will they attempt to do the same thing now with even better chances of success than they had then. For that reason they will regard Hitler's new threats with calm confidence.

So also will the United States look upon his threat of what he will do to them as they proceed with their design of giving increased aid to Britain. Here Hitler was undoubtedly endeavouring to say something calculated to have an effect upon the deliberations of the U.S. Congress on the "Lease or Lend" Bill. The cables recording American reaction to the threat show it to be precisely what was expected. The people of the United States are not to be intimidated by the vapourings of a man who has a very long way to go before he even sees any real prospect of victory, and the result of his threat is more likely to confirm the Americans in their determination to give Great Britain all possible aid than to do anything to the contrary. Hitler's oratorical grimaces frighten no one outside Germany and Italy, and, except for the fact that this wicked man has brought so much tragedy to the world, might even prove amusing. One thing is quite certain, and that is that the temper of the United States is such that threats of this nature defeat the very purpose for which they are made.

Hitler endeavours to make light of the situation in Italy, by alleging "If a few defeats of our partner convince them that Italy is going down they are mistaken." That may sound all very well to the Germans who are carefully kept unaware of what is happening. It is an attempt to minimize the severe reverses which Italy has suffered in Albania and Libya, but at the same time it is a confession of Italian failure. In this connection it needs to be remembered that the reports circulated concerning demonstrations and dissatisfaction have been admitted by the Italians themselves. They claim, however, that the demonstrations were in fact held by the Fascists themselves against alleged incorrect reporting by American correspondents, a story which will deceive no one, while an Italian newspaper endeavours to explain away the dissatisfaction by averring that it is usual for the Italians to grumble. There is, however, none of that solidarity existing between the German and Italian peoples which Hitler would have the world believe.

For once he probably tells the truth when he says that they could not be separated by British propaganda, nor the Italian people from Mussolini because of a few misfortunes. Hitler will take good care that the Italians shall toe the line of his choosing, and certainly will not allow the Italians to break away from his notorious combination. So also may he be expected to use German forces against any domestic movement in Italy to oust Mussolini from the office which he has occupied with such disastrous results for his country. It has been thought for a considerable time that Hitler is completely devoid of a sense of humour. One passage in his speech suggests that this opinion is not altogether correct, for in the following passage there is a distinct touch of the comic:—"We two [Hitler and Mussolini] are neither Jews nor business dealers. If we have joined hands, this is a hand-clasp of men of honour." No worse misfortune could ever befall Jewry than for someone to discover these two men were in fact Jews. It is indeed a hardship for any race to have to admit them as members, while as for them being men of honour, if that is so, then the word has lost its meaning, having possibly been given a totalitarian significance which decent people cannot for one moment accept.

Sound Tricks

There has been comment in England on the tricks played by sounds of gun-fire, which is audible in some districts and quite inaudible in others, very much closer to the scene of the firing. Similar phenomena were noticed by Samuel Pepys in the Dutch war of 1666. He recorded that gun-fire in the Channel could be heard in St. James's Park while at Deal and Dover the population could hear nothing. Experiments in the sound fields have been carried on for a number of years in Britain, and spotters of aircraft are even now benefiting from them. In 1927 scientists carried out tests in co-operation with the Admiralty during naval gunnery practice at Shoeburyness. Listeners sitting before delicate apparatus at Nottingham, Cardiff, Birmingham, Bristol and Sheffield received simultaneous wireless warnings when guns were fired. By calculating the difference in time between the receipt of the warning and the actual sound of the gun-fire much valuable data was gathered. It was learned that when a sound left the muzzle of the gun it took a gigantic curve upwards of about nine miles. This took about 35 seconds. From this height to about the height of sixteen miles, the sound travelled upwards more slowly, but at about thirty miles it struck a warm ozone belt of air and was deflected back to earth. Sound travelling close to the earth behaves differently; it is often quickly absorbed by trees and buildings and soon dies away. It is therefore quite possible for a town within a few miles of another which is being raided to hear nothing at all of the explosions, while another town scores of miles away will hear the explosions distinctly. Needless to say the experiments of this nature which have been made are bearing fruit today in the spotter apparatus now being used.

Germany's Wanton Bombing

The enemy is getting all warmed up over the question as to who is responsible for commencing the bombing of open towns, particularly because of the very plain statement by the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of the Air Ministry that the Germans began it. The German case is that Great Britain was guilty, claiming that the British air attack on the island of Sylt on the night of January 11-12, 1940 started it. The island of Sylt is well known as a military objective and a perfectly proper target for the R.A.F. to attack. It was on the previous day that the Germans made attacks upon towns along the Thames, in Kent, such places as Newcastle and Cullercoats, as well as stations on the Firth of Forth, most of which were not military objectives at all. It was in March that a full scale attack was made upon Sylt and the Hindenberg Dam, the Germans claiming that no military damage was done and that only non-military objectives were aimed at. They endeavoured to prove their case by arranging a personally conducted tour of the island by foreign newspaper correspondents, who were allowed no freedom of action, and only permitted to see what the Germans wanted them to see. The plan misfired. It is useless for the German to try to evade responsibility for opening up systematic attacks upon open towns, for it has all along been clearly a part of their policy of terrorism. The facts by now are plain for all men to see, and to endeavour to excuse their intensified warfare upon the civilian population of Great Britain in non-military areas by this type of subterfuge does the alleged intelligence of the German propaganda machine not the slightest justice. That Britain has consistently sought out military objectives in Germany is clearly demonstrated by the conditions now known to prevail in western Germany as a result of British air activities. It is possible that there have been some civilian casualties in Germany. That is inevitable in the case of bombing from the air, but that the British have embarked upon attempts at wholesale slaughter is wholly untrue, and only to be believed by those ready to be deceived by the Germans.

ALONG THE HIGHWAYS

Jan. 29.—We picked our first Violets of the season this morning: the plants were growing in a sheltered position and the flowers were quite large and so deliciously fragrant. It is much nicer to write of these delicate modest blossoms than to record wholesale tree destruction. There is something fascinating in picking a bunch of violets so early in the season and binding the flowers together in their own leaves. We have some in pots that have been producing flowers for some time; but, beautiful as they are, they cannot be compared with outdoor blooms; or is it our imagination that makes the outdoor blossoms appear more attractive! The Violet (*Viola odorata*) grows so easily that we are afraid many people do not consider it worth while to give the plants much attention: they are left in beds, undisturbed for years. If those people could only see the plants we picked our flowers off today, we are sure that they would change their policy. The plants were sheltered, but not by a wall: they were growing on a sunny bank with a shrubbery border behind, through which they get currents of fresh air, which are so essential to their well-being: plenty of fresh air keeps away red spider and other pests so destructive to the violet or any other plant. They like partial shade in Summer and simply hate to become dry at the roots. When the plants are lifted in the Spring, manure can be incorporated with the soil before replanting takes place: this treatment will make the plants strong enough to stand much more hot sunshine and produce more and better flowers. They do not take kindly to forcing: heat and glass protection appears to tempt the flowers to open more than we like to see them; but an unheated frame, full of violets in flower, is a most beautiful sight and the fragrance of a mass of blooms is something to be remembered.—W.J.K.

A PARSON'S LOG

From A Correspondent

In one of his letters the Apostle Paul enjoins men to seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated on the right hand of God—"the things that are above": When we read these words we are not to conceive that there are immeasurable distances to be crossed! Like all similar expressions (ascent, descent, etc.) the words "above and below" presented to early ages a clear-cut image, which has disappeared with the rise of modern astronomy. Happily this is a gain rather than a loss. Here, as in so many other cases, later knowledge is an aid to our faith. At the beginning of the Christian era the earth was still regarded as a fixed body placed at the centre of the Universe, with the heavens surrounding it as vast spheres. But we know now that it is only a small planet revolving round the sun, which also has a "solar way," so immense and obscure that it is not yet fully determined; and in addition there is a whole sidereal system of which our constellation forms a mere speck. Though, therefore, "above and below" (like "north," "east" "south," "west") would have for the ancients an absolute and cosmic, they can have for us only a relative and phenomenal, significance. We still use the old terms, just as we still speak of the rising sun, but we do so with a new interpretation. These wider views of the Universe should help us to realize that all language involving conceptions of time and space is quite inadequate to express spiritual realities.

The spiritual significance of "above and below" is seen in such expressions as: "I am from above"="I came forth and am come from God"; "Ye are from beneath"="Ye are of this world." To receive power "from above," as in the case of Pilate, is to receive it from God. The wisdom which is from "beneath" is "earthly, sensual, devilish": We invoke "our Father in heaven," not as One who is divided from us by immeasurable tracts of space, but as One far beyond our ignorance and sin, infinitely above us, yet unspeakably near. And when we think of Christ's Ascension into heaven, we must not conceive of it as a flight into some far-off region, but as His passing into a state of existence which we can describe only by employing words which, in the every act of using them, we see to be utterly inadequate.

So, when the Apostle bids us "seek those things which are above" we must shake off the thought of vast distances to be traversed. What Saint Paul invites us to do is to set our minds, not on terrestrial things, but on things high and heavenly. We are to put away uncleanness, passion, covetousness, meanness, slander, lying, and "keep in mind whatever is true, whatever is worthy, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is attractive, whatever is high-toned, all excellence, all merit." It is one of the challenges of life, the claim of the noble as against the ignoble, of the lofty as against the base.

The Apostle had a deep insight into the true nature of man when he penned such a summons. It calls forth all that is chivalrous in us. Most people respond to nobleness of conduct; if one doesn't he (or she) lacks manliness. Winston Churchill was surely conscious of this when on November 21 he said in the House of Commons: "We have a long road to travel, and I have never concealed from the nation....the darker side of our dangers and burdens....because I know that it is in adversity that British qualities shine the brightest." Such words come as a summons to the nation to set its mind on "the things which are above."

In "Rose from Briar" written from her invalid bed, Amy Carmichal writes: "On the morning when the climbers of the second expedition (Everest) were at their highest camp, there was a question about going farther. The night before, Dr. Somervell, who, like all the others, was worn by tremendous toils, had read in his pocket Testament from Colossians, 'Seek those things which are above.' In the translation he was using, the words ran: 'Aim at what is above.' They were in his mind now as he looked at that summit, so near but so far, and he and his companions decided to go on climbing. They had to take five breaths to every step, five in and five out, but that day those two men got higher than man had ever gone before without oxygen. This little incident came out by accident one day in talk. I was asking Dr. Somervell about that last day's struggle uphill, and he told me about his little pocket Testament and its word to him. I was well then, and never expected to be anything else..... Often during these months it has come and spoken to me. It has shamed slackness and cowardice; 'it has set me climbing again.'" The road is not quite so long, the dangers and burdens of life are less heavy, and the hills are not so wearisome when we "aim at what is above."

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War Savings Association	712.00	32,986. 4. 4‡

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Do you read the paper by leaning on your husband's shoulder?

Do you keep callers talking on the doorstep for hours before you ask them in?

ARE you continually borrowing things from the neighbour and forgetting to return them?

Are you abrupt and surly with the ice-man and the grocery boy just because they're early birds?

When you have company are you continually eyeing the clock as if you were just waiting for them to leave?

When the doorbell rings do you lean out of the window and howl "Who's there?"—when it might be a caller?

When people drop in for an informal call do you broadly hint that they are interrupting important housework?

Do you hover over a person on the telephone and prompt him with hints, suggestions and orders about what he should say?

Do you make a practice of piling all your husband's belongings in a heap and dumping them in some inconspicuous corner?

Do you greet callers with mop in hand, your hair tied up in a knotted handkerchief as if you were fresh from an attic bat-hunt?

Are you a telephone belligerent, answering it with:

"What do you want?"
"Yeah?"
"Who wants her?"
"Who's this anyway?"

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Week-End Soccer Commentary And Team Standings

Police Favoured to Beat Tung Hwa Tomorrow; Lusitano Should Win A.S.F. Replay Today

THE Race Course will be the venue of the best game this afternoon when the Association Sportive Française and Lusitano meet in a replay of a Skottowe Cup 2nd Round game. The two played to a 2-all draw after extra time two weeks ago, but one can't help thinking that the Portuguese will pass into the semi-finals of the most coveted trophy of the League.

Although so far the score has been even, with each team boasting of a victory over the other, the Portuguese have a better balanced side and their win over the Saints last Sunday somewhat enhances their chances for a victory today. Whoever wins, however, chances are that it will be an all-foreign final this season. Tung Hwa is out, while it is doubtful if Three Cultures, even if they win their game against P.T.H. tomorrow afternoon, can afford sufficient struggle to any of the remaining teams.

Other Matches Today

The programme today also includes two semi-finals matches, one for the Tsz Ling cup and the other for the Junior Cup. In the first, the Russian Regiment and Unison Football Club will be seen in another replay. The two met on January 18 and the game resulted in a 2-all draw after extra time. The Chinese, although only in the middle of the Second Division, can play good soccer when the opportunity comes, and the fact that they drew with the ex-soldiers—at the beginning of the season shows that today's issue will see a hard fight.

In the Junior Cup semi-final, Hotspurs and Wha Lien will test each other's strength at the Kiaochow Park. Both teams are at the bottom of the Third Division, but the former have shown themselves capable of better soccer than the Hotspurs, who so far have not won a single game in their League encounters.

The programme for today is rounded off by three Second Division games of which the tussle between the very much improved 4th "A" and Sokol should be the best. In the other games the British Navy will encounter Rowing Club, while Maccabi will play Russian Athletic Association.

Police Picked Against Tung Hwa

The big game tomorrow will undoubtedly be the postponed match between the S.M.P. and Tung Hwa. The two met in a Skottowe Cup game two weeks ago and the lawkeepers managed to eke out a narrow victory over the Chinese after extra time had been given. Tomorrow, however, the pillars of the law will take the field more sure of themselves, having beaten the A.S.F. by the lobsided score of 6-1 last Saturday. Predictions, or the majority of them, have gone haywire this season, but if the winners of this match were to be picked, the favuorites without doubt would be the Police.

Another postponed game will be a Skottowe Cup 2nd Round match between P.T.H. and Three Cultures at the Kiaochow Park. The latter are second in their division and boast of several good players, among them K. S. Suen and L. K. Chang. This match should prove if the P.T.H. are definitely below senior football standard.

Saints Should Win Again

The last senior game of the week will be between the S.F.X. and J.R.C. The former lost their chance for the League championship last Sunday when they fell victims to Lusitano, but should take two points from the Jewish Recs. The two teams have met twice already and on both occasions the Saints beat the J.R.C., the first time by 5-4, while the second time the Jewish boys were on the shorter end of a 6-2 score.

The Old Westonians, the only team to have defeated Xaverians twice, are slated to meet Betar in a semi-final for the Junior Cup, and it looks as if they will pass into the final.

The last game of the week will be between 4th "B" and Oarsman, with the latter favoured to win.

The following is the complete programme for today and tomorrow. Unless otherwise specified, all the games will start at 3 p.m.

Today

Skottowe Cup 2nd Round:—A.S.F. v. Lusitano, R.G. 2, 2.30 p.m. Referee: S. E. Burt. Line: G. L. Aitchinson and O. G. R. Beynon.

Tsz Ling Semi-final:—Russian Regiment v. Unison F.C., Aurora, 2.30 p.m. Referee: L. Chang. Line: K. F. Teng and T. Z. Liu.

Junior Cup semi-final:—Hotspurs v. Wha Lien, Kiaochow Park, 2.30 p.m. Referee: F. C. Hale. Line: S. P. Nee and Z. Y. Wang.

2nd Division:—4th "A" v. Sokol, R.G. 5. Referee: P. Drossel; Maccabi v. Russian A.A., S.R.C. Referee: E. J. Kidby; British Navy v. Row. Club, R.G. 1. Referee: N. Fadeyeff.

Tomorrow

Skottowe Cup 2nd Round:—P.T.H. v. Three Cultures, Kiaochow Park, 2.30 p.m. Referee: J. Chen. Line: N. Fadeyeff and Z. T. Loh.

Junior Cup Semi-final:—Old Westonians v. Betar, R.G. 1, 2.30 p.m. Referee: S. Neumann. Line: C. H. Mahon and A. Hurry.

1st Division:—Tung Hwa v. S.M.P., Canidrome, 10.30 a.m. Referee: T. H. Ho. Line: A. C. Sinclair and J. Weaver; J.R.C. v. S.F.X., R.G. 2. Referee: H. A. Harrs. Line: K. Beck and M. Rothschild.

3rd Division:—4th "B" v. Oarsman, R.G. 5. Referee: A. H. Leslie.

Changes in Team Standings

A slight change was made in the First Division where Lusitano, by virtue of their victory over the S.F.X., rose to the fifth place, while the S.R.C. dropped to the sixth. The Reserve Division remains the same, no games having been played there during the past week. In the Second Division French Forces continue to dominate and there is little chance that they will be pushed off the first place. Three Cultures and Russian Regiment now occupy second and third places respectively. Maccabi, last in the division up to the past week, rose by winning their game against Parks, who dropped to the place vacated by their opponents. The only change in the Third Division is the loss sustained by Xaverians at the hands of Old Westonians, who, it seems, are heading both for the championship of their division and the victory of the Junior Cup.

First Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Tung Hwa	10	8	0	2	33	20	16
S.F.X.	12	7	1	4	38	34	15
S.M.P.	10	7	0	3	33	23	14
A.S.F.	12	5	1	6	37	36	11
Lusitano	10	5	0	5	35	27	10
S.R.C.	10	4	1	5	21	34	9
J.R.C.	12	3	1	8	34	45	7
P.T.H.	10	1	2	7	19	31	4

Reserve Division

Lusitano	7	5	2	0	25	7	12
Tung Hwa	5	4	1	0	18	5	9
J.R.C.	7	4	0	3	21	19	8
S.M.P.	6	3	1	2	13	18	7
S.F.X.	6	3	0	3	15	14	6
A.S.F.	7	2	2	3	14	17	6
S.R.C.	7	2	0	5	9	22	4
P.T.H.	7	0	0	7	14	27	0

Second Division

French Forces	8	7	0	1	36	7	14
Three Cultures	7	5	1	1	31	14	11
Russian Regiment	7	4	2	1	26	12	10
British Navy	8	5	0	3	26	17	10
Sokol	7	3	3	1	14	9	9
Russian A.A.	7	4	0	3	22	20	8
Unison F.C.	6	3	1	2	14	20	7
4th "A"	8	2	0	6	24	27	4
Rowing Club	7	2	0	5	18	29	4
Maccabi	8	1	0	7	7	38	2
Parks	7	0	1	6	6	31	1

Third Division

Xaverians	11	10	0	1	54	15	20
Old Westonians	7	7	0	0	26	8	14
Oarsmen	9	6	1	2	22	9	13
Cathay Laundry	10	5	2	3	20	24	12
Y.T.T.	6	5	0	1	26	9	10
Aurora	9	4	2	3	35	18	10
Betar	11	4	1	6	26	24	9
Judeans	8	2	2	4	21	24	6
J.A.C.	8	2	1	5	20	25	5
Wha Lien	5	2	1	2	13	16	5
Hotspurs	9	0	3	6	11	28	3
Tung Wen	8	1	1	6	8	35	3
4th "B"	9	0	0	9	4	54	0

Depleted Rugger Programme

None of the Senior Sides In Action; Police Oppose Club Captain's Team

With none of the senior local sides in action today or tomorrow this weekend's rugby programme is inclined to be rather tame after the excellent encounters witnessed during the past few weeks. It is a distinct pity that arrangements could not be made for the appearance of two of the better teams but injuries, business calls and various national duties have necessitated a depleted programme. Nevertheless the Club is endeavouring to put up a brave show by fielding no less than four fifteens.

Most prominent of the three matches arranged is that at 3.15 p.m. on Sunday between the Police and the Club Captain's XV. The Police, with four of the Club 1st team forwards in their pack should, if they display the ability that they undoubtedly can, be able to get the better of the Captain's pack but it is likely that the day will be decided by the outsides. The Club three-quarters are a lively lot but their defence could be improved. Lumsdaine, if he shows up as well as he has recently, is likely to be a continual danger to the Police with his terrific speed but Hocking will watch him closely. In the last game played by the Police the lawmen displayed considerable improvement and if they are able to maintain this improvement they should be able to account for their opponents to-morrow.

Frenchmen Playing Today

Today at 3 p.m. the Club Vice-Captain's XV meet a French Forces "B" side. The Club XV has been well picked with the three-quarters particularly well chosen. On the other hand the forwards are not as strong as they might be while the halves are inclined to be weak. The French Forces strength has not yet been revealed but a close game is likely to be seen with the fiery French tactics possibly being too much for the hosts.

In the only other encounter arranged the Club "B" XV will meet the Rest of the Club at 2.15 p.m. tomorrow. This game is noteworthy in that it marks the reappearance of the ever-popular Billy Tingle who played scrum-half for Shanghai in interports matches a decade or so ago. Tingle is as fit as the proverbial fiddle and it would surprise no one if, in a few weeks, he turns out for Shanghai's premier fifteen once again.

Shanghai United Hockey Week-end Teams

Today

S'hai United "Trojans" v. Municipal Gaol, 2.15 p.m. at Race Course Ground No. 6:—

United "Trojans":—J. P. Jones, R. Watson, K. M. Pate, J. Gilchrist, E. V. Chanturai, J. Greenberg, R. Murray, J. Hethrington, P. Bojesen, R. V. Crank, A. Yourieff.

S'hai United "Reserves" v. S.H.C. "C," 2.30 p.m., Race Course Ground No. 3:—

United "Reserves":—D. Symons, L. H. Laevsky, H. Gidumal, W. Clements, E. Pollitzer, B. Kaufman, G. Kurapatoff, G. A. Roza, E. Campbell, W. Frensdorff, D. Ezekial. Reserves: J. L. Bozo, M. Isaacs, N. Argendell.

Tomorrow

S'hai United "Spartans" v. S.H.C. "Crusaders," 2.30 p.m., Race Course Ground No. 6.

United "Spartans":—E. S. Jacob, H. Remedios, J. Ladd, J. Turner, P. Kermani, C. Robertson, L. Simoes, E. Pollitzer, A. Grebenchikoff, H. Bojesen, E. Viccajee.

Week-end Soccer Teams

S.F.X.

The following will represent the S.F.X. v. J.R.C. tomorrow:—

W. Ussankoff, S. Schultz, G. Garwood, W. Halliford, W. Pettersson, M. Greenberg, J. Laskovski, F. Edwards, F. Foyn, M. Karolitch, C. Edwards. Reserve: H. Pettersson.

After Midget Racers Kissed on Speedway

When Bud Sennett (in the car on the extreme left) skidded in the seventh lap of a midget auto race at the Ascot Speedway in California, he started something. Ed Davis (disappearing in front) managed to get around him safely; but Bob Packard (right) struck Sennett's jittery mount and bounced into the air. Driver Packard was uninjured.

Flying Shuttles, Lusitano Register Impressive Wins

Country Club "A" Beat "B" 7-2; Sokols and Union Church Lose Again by Large Margins

THE St. John's Flying Shuttles lived up to their reputation of being one of the strongest aggregations in the Mixed Doubles division of the Badminton League when they put the Sokols to complete rout in their match last night to score an overwhelming victory by the maximum score of nine games to nil. Every one of the three couples was in finest fettle and, with the advantage of home courts outplayed their guests in every set. Meanwhile, at the Clube Lusitano courts, the home team earned one of their most impressive wins by handing out a severe 8-1 trouncing to the Union Church.

The third match of the evening saw the "A" and "B" couples of the Country Club battle in their own courts and as anticipated the "A" triumphed over their less fortunate "B" side by seven games to two.

Miss Winnie Cheung and K. L. Yong, the Flying Shuttles lead-off pair, were a class above the Russian combination of Miss Mary Malinovsky and Nastavin and their accurate drop shots and unerring smashes, freely offered to them by weak returns, soon won them point after point to score a shut-out triumph in the opening set. There was no doubt regarding the outcome of the next two games and the uneven scores of 15-3 and 15-5 alone depict the obvious superiority of the Chinese two.

Their second couple experienced almost as easy a win over the Sokols as did the the first. Miss Mary Sung and S. C. Hou had Miss Onatzavich and Bocevitch bewildered in their effort to retrieve tricky placements. In having to revert to a defensive game the losers found it difficult to earn points. They managed to take four points in the first set, five in the next and eight in the last.

The stiffest opposition the Chinese met was in the third match, in which Miss Troinovsky and Kotliaroff fought an uphill battle against Miss France Wong and Fred Li. They were able to score most of their points through the erratic play of the Flying Shuttles who, nevertheless, were still too good for them. Matching stroke for stroke with the Chinese, the Sokols managed to garner 12 points in the second game before the winners ran out. They came within an ace of reversing the tables in the last set and their defeat by the count of 14-15 may be attributed to the element of fortune.

The detailed scores are as follows:

Flying Shuttles 9; Sokols 0

Miss W. Cheung and K. L. Yong beat Miss M. Malinovsky and Nastavin 0-15, 3-15, 5-15.

Miss M. A. Sung and S. C. Hou beat Miss Onatzarich and Bocevitch 6-15, 5-15, 8-15.

Miss F. Wong and F. Choong beat Miss Troinovsky and Kotliaroff 9-15, 12-15, 14-15.

Clube Lusitano 8; Union Church 1

Miss Pereira and de Senna beat Miss Kemp and L. C. Kew 15-8, 15-14, 15-12.

Mrs. T. Collaco and V. Oliveira beat Miss Harrop and N. Chelmis 15-0, 15-8, 15-8.

Miss M. Canavarro and da Silva beat Miss Ballingall and G. Chelmis 15-13, 15-14, 13-15.

Country Club "A" 7; and "B" 2

Mrs. Burton and Read beat Mrs. Adamsson and Beeching 15-12, 15-8, 15-8.

Miss Holwill and Impey beat Mrs. Morcher and Duff 15-12, 15-12, 15-12.

Mrs. Cox and Barraclough lost to Mrs. Beeching and Orr 13-1, 14-15, 14-15.

Dempsey Says Burman May Knock Out Louis

Chance Conceded if Fight Lasts Over Three Rounds

New York, Jan. 31.

Jack Dempsey, former world heavyweight champion, last night asserted that youthful "Red" Burman would knock out Joe Louis, present world heavyweight titleholder, tonight at the Madison Square Garden "if the fight lasts over three rounds."

The burly Manassa Mauler added, "I hope Louis is at his peak, so there will be no alibis if Burman knocks him out."

He emphasized that he was not selecting Burman to beat Louis, but insisted that Burman had an excellent chance to take the world heavyweight title if he could stay the first three rounds.

"Reports from the Louis camp say he is red-hot and sharp as a knife. But Louis will move into the hottest competition of his career when the first bell sounds, because Burman will be well warmed up in his dressing room," Dempsey said.

"He will not go in cold like Schmeling (German former world champion) did in his second fight with Louis."

Despite Dempsey's favourable comment in regard to Burman's chances, the betting was 8-to-1 that Louis would win.

Burman in 1939 was defeated by Tommy Farr, the Welsh fighter who twice managed to stay the full distance against Louis. Burman, ninth in the heavy weight rating of "Ring Magazine" in 1939, climbed to fifth place in 1940.—United Press.

By actual count, Walter Abel, appearing with Claudette Colbert and Ray Milland in "Arise My Love," has played more district attorney roles than any other screen actor. He appeared in 20 such parts in the course of three years.

Hockey Fixtures Brightened Up This Week-End

Three Outstanding Games Should Provide Exciting Competition; Lusitano-J.R.C. Match Attracts

THOUGH the past two week-ends produced rather desultory hockey, approaching fixtures promise to take a turn for the better with this week-end seeing the dawn of brighter games. At least three of the coming matches should provide a high standard of hockey together with some exciting competition. Tomorrow should prove a busier day for top-ranking teams as most of today's programme has been taken up by engagements between junior aggregations.

With the majority of the teams in the Shanghai Hockey Association having already met each other at least once, the Association are now turning to provide as evenly-matched games as possible, and this state of affairs will remain unchanged until the end of the season. Therefore, there is every reason to believe that there will be a crop of well worthwhile engagements to grace each week-end's fare in the future.

Three First-Rate Games

Three tussles vie closely with each other to be the main attraction of the week-end with possibly the clash between the Clube Lusitano and the J.R.C. "A" on tomorrow winning through. The strength of the Jewish eleven is now a bye-word this season but it is believed that they will be meeting with much stiffer opposition than they have been given earlier in the season.

The Lusitano team, though by no means a well-balanced eleven, is strong enough to give any of the more powerful sides a good fight. Their match against the S.H.C. should have provided a thrilling struggle yesterday, but owing to the fact that neither side could turn out at full strength, a scratch game was played instead. It is expected, however, that the Portuguese will be going all out to take the measure of the Hebrews this Sunday.

On the same day, another interesting struggle should be going on between the United "Spartans" and the S.H.C. "Crusaders." The United eleven are still smarting from an overwhelming defeat handed to them by the same side earlier in the season, and though they will not be having as sturdy a team as they did previously, the Spartans are generally expected to give a better account of themselves this time.

Today's main fixture will be the meeting of the Club "Harlequins" and the Police "Ionians." Though the S.H.C. must be conceded the better chance of victory on their past record, the Police are believed to be turning out several of their ace players in order to give the Club players a worthy match.

Full week-end programme follows:—

Today

p.m.
2.15 United "Trojans" v. Municipal Gaol (R.G. 6).
2.30 S.H.C. v. United "Reserves (R.G. 3).
2.30 J.R.C. "B" v. J.A.C. (R.G. 7).
3.30 S.H.C. "Harlequins" v. Police "Ionians" (R.G. 6).

Tomorrow

2.30 Police "Corinthians" v. Khalsa (R.G. 3).
2.30 Clube Lusitano v. J.R.C. "A" (R.G. 6).
2.30 United "Spartans" v. S.H.C. "Crusaders" (R.G. 7).

Shanghai Hockey Club Week-end Teams

"Harlequins" v. S.M.P. "Ionians," Saturday, Ground 6, 3.30 p.m.:—H. J. D. Lowe, R. W. Edwards, H. A. Crickner, J. R. Kale, B. K. Wallace, E. J. Beekmeijer, F. E. Lintilhac, J. Larsen, W. J. Silvey, J. W. Pote-Hunt, W. H. King.

"Crusaders" v. United "Spartans," Sunday, Ground 7, 2.30 p.m.:—W. J. Silvey, C. G. Van Der Voort, H. Sardeman, R. C. Grofils, B. Scheltus, R. D. H. Wilmer, R. G. Willis, I. H. Kendall, I. H. Bradford, J. R. Kale, L. Underwood.

S.H.C. "C" v. United Reserves, Saturday, Ground 3, 2.30 p.m.:—R. E. Hopwood, S. M. Carlisle, R. Manly Allatt, T. H. Wood, R. A. Black, J. W. Calvin, L. Underwood.

Jack Benny insists that he met a woman so dumb that she thinks Harry Sherman's "Cherokee Strip" is an Indian strip tease dance.

Additional Entries for Light Horse Race

The decision to accept additional entries for the Light Horse Point-to-Point race has injected further interest in the annual competition for the Ralph Challenge Cup. This race was originally to be held on January 12, but owing to the water-logged condition of the country at that time, was postponed until tomorrow morning. The race will start at 10 o'clock.

To Day's Hunt

The tenth hunt of the season will be held this afternoon and will start at the usual time of three o'clock. The hunt will be laid in the Zikawei country and will start from the Third Bridge on Minghong Road. The Hunt is an open one. White paper will laid.

Additional Entries

Two and Half Minutes:—Tpr. R. G. Woodhead, Lucky Louis, Z, 205 lb.

Two Minutes:—Tpr. T. C. Kruyt, Milkman, Y, 168 lb.; Tpr. W. D. Ward Smith, Glamour Boy, Z, 170 lb.

One and Half Minutes:—Tpr. W. D. Ward Smith, Fusilier, Y, 170 lb.; Capt. H. Maitland, Fusilier, Y, 170 lb.

One Minute:—Tpr. J. Johnston Hoerter, Black Magic, Y, 145 lb.; Tpr. N. K. M. V. Kattendyke, Nidd, Z, 160 lb.; Cpl. A. V. White, White Lord, Y, 160 lb.; Tpr. R. J. Sheppard, Off Chance, Y, 173 lb.; Sgt. H. G. Robinson, Hell Driver, Z, 175 lb.

Half Minute:—2/Lt. W. B. Hughes, Breezylight, Y, 134 lb.; 2/Lt. W. B. Hughes, Steel King, Y, 134 lb.; Cpl. A. V. White, White Night, Y, 160 lb.; Tpr. R. J. Sheppard, Hung Mah Z, 173 lb.

Scratch:—2/Lt. W. B. Hughes, San Carlo, Y, 134 lb.; 2/Lt. W. B. Hughes, Little Cossack, Z, 134 lb.; Lieut. A. E. Arnold, Aeolus, Z, 150 lb.; Tpr. E. B. Moller, Highlight, Z, 162 lb.; Tpr. E. B. Moller, Maylight, Z, 162 lb.; Tpr. E. B. Moller, Dandylight, Z, 162 lb.; Tpr. E. B. Moller, Mist, Z, 162 lb.

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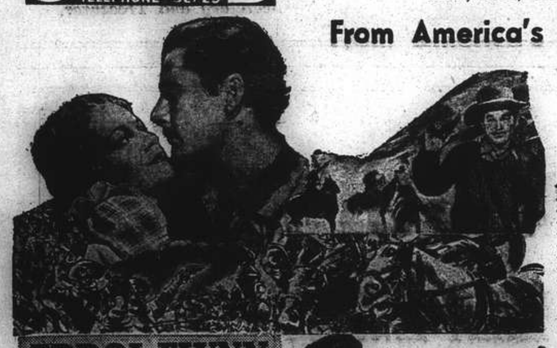

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Axis-Japan Pact May Be Invoked, Says Matsuoka

Contingency Might Arise if Situation in Pacific Becomes Worse, Minister States

Tokyo, Jan. 31.

A CONTINGENCY as specified in Article 3 of the Axis-Japan pact might come about should the situation in the Pacific take a turn for the worse in view of the possible passing of the Lease-and-Lend Bill by the Congress of the United States, American development of naval and air bases in the Pacific and Anglo-American cooperation there, declared Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Foreign Minister, yesterday.

Article Three of the tri-power pact provides that Japan, Germany and Italy should undertake to assist one another with all their political, economic and military means when one of the three contracting parties is attacked by a power at present not involved in the European war or in the Sino-Japanese conflict.

Mr. Matsuoka stated this in reply to a question during a Budget sub-Committee meeting, in the House of Representatives yesterday, regarding the significance of Article Three of the Axis-Japan pact vis-a-vis the current international situation in the Pacific area. The questioner pointed out that Asia is included in the area to be covered by the Lease-and Lend Bill now before the United States Congress and that Japan's life-line was being menaced by Anglo-American cooperation in the Pacific area as well as by the strengthening of American naval and air bases there.

Mr. Matsuoka said that the contingency as specified by Article Three might occur in case the situation in the Pacific, as mentioned by the interpellator, takes a further threatening turn.

Referring to China and the South Seas, the Foreign Minister said that Anglo-American movements in China and the South Seas were very important to Japan and therefore the Government was constantly watching the situation both from the diplomatic and military viewpoint.

Today the Deputy spokesman of the Information Board at the press conference was asked to clarify Mr. Matsuoka's statement and he said that the invocation of the tri-power pact depended upon Japan's decision, adding that it might come with a future development in the situation.

"Anyway," the Deputy spokesman said, "We remain loyal to the tri-power treaty".—Reuter.

Mr. Ishii's Warning

Tokyo, Jan. 31.

Japan may invoke the common defence provisions of the Three-Power Pact depending on future developments of the Pacific as a consequence of passage of the American lease-lend bill, Mr. Koh Ishii, deputy spokesman of the Information Board, indicated this morning at the press conference with foreign correspondents.

Stating invocation of the Three-Power Pact rested upon Japan's decision, Mr. Ishii added that it might come with future development of the situation.

"Anyway we remain loyal to the Three Power treaty," the spokesman remarked.

Question of the Three-Power Pact was brought up for discussion by correspondents who asked Mr. Ishii to clarify the statement of the Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, before the first Budgetary Sub-Committee of the Lower House on Thursday.

Mr. Fukuzo Nakayama, former member of the defunct Minseito Party asked Mr. Matsuoka the significance of the common defence provision embodied in Article Three of the Berlin pact which specifies the signatories will come to the aid of any one of them if attacked by a third power not at present engaged in war, in relation to the prevailing situation in the Pacific.

Asia is included in the lease-lend bill, while Japan's lifeline is being menaced by Anglo-American cooperation in the Pacific where American naval and air bases are being strengthened, it was pointed out at the sub-committee meeting.

The Foreign Minister then added that contingency of the specified Article Three depended whether developments in the Pacific were of a threatening nature.

Mr. Matsuoka also said Japan was constantly watching Anglo-American movements in the South Seas and China, as the situation in those regions was "very important" to Japan.—Domei.

Statement of War Aims Demanded

Mr. Geoffrey Mander Lists Conditions Considered as Desirable

London, Jan. 31.

An explicit Government statement of British war aims was asked yesterday by Mr. Geoffrey Mander, M.P., in a motion for debate on the subject before the House of Commons. Such a statement would be a powerful weapon for victory, Mr. Mander said.

Mr. Mander said that a statement of British war aims should include:

Restoration of freedom for all persons in countries over-run by Nazi or Fascist aggression;

Provision for food for continental nations immediately after enemy arms were laid down and occupied territory was evacuated;

No negotiations with the present Italo-German regimes;

Opportunities for German and Italian people to choose their own self-governments;

Establishment of a world organization possessing such military force as to prevent further acts of aggression, with suitable machinery for settlement of international disputes and for promotion of economic unity throughout the world; and

Removal of unemployment, under-nourishment, bad housing and lack of educational opportunities so that all races and creeds could live together in peace and liberty, security, enjoying the good things of life, both spiritual and physical, and rendering service in return.—United Press.

"Yomiuri" Questions Mr. Matsuoka

Paper Says Chungking One Wing of Democratic Camp

Tokyo, Jan. 31.

Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka's statement in the Diet on Thursday, that the possibility remains for a merger of the Chungking regime and the National Government under Mr. Wang Ching-wei, was sharply questioned by the popular leading daily "Yomiuri" in an unsigned column entitled "Parliamentary Viewpoints."

The column cited Lieut.-Gen. Hideki Tojo's (War Minister) Diet declaration on Thursday in which he ascribed Chungking's continued resistance against Japan to an over-estimation of third-Party assistance and to the prevailing belief in Chungking that Japan is facing economic collapse.

Stating that these factors are spurring Chungking to continue the struggle despite economic difficulties and the conflict with the Communists in the War Minister's estimation, the column noted that heavy reliance on foreign assistance and an underestimation of Japan's economic strength were not new phenomena, but the fundamental causes of the Sino-Japanese conflict.

This sentiment is further spurred by the professed conviction of Chungking leaders that the United States will establish mastery over the Pacific in 1941, while Britain's latent power will come forth to crush the Nazis with the resultant collapse of Japan, according to the column which went on to note that Anglo-American assistance to Chungking since Japan's adherence to the Rome-Berlin axis has increased Chungking's reliance upon outside assistance.

"Chungking has now become one wing of the democratic camp serving as 'America's first line of defence.' From that alone may be said that Japan's war against Chungking has assumed a world scale in that it has become Japan's war against the Democracies," the column declared.

In conclusion the column stated, "Chungking's liquidation cannot be expected by ancient methods of intrigue and machination. It may be realized only by thorough military pressure and the development of the Nanking government, together with the settlement of the struggle between the Axis and the Democracies, particularly the solution of problems existing between Japan and Great Britain and America.—Domei.

French, Nazis Said Still At Deadlock

Vichy Attacked by Press in Occupied Areas

Vichy, Jan. 31.

Paris newspapers yesterday climaxed a recent intensive anti-Vichy outburst by bitterly attacking M. Pierre-Etienne Flandin, France's Foreign Minister.

The Paris press, in the centre of German-occupied territory, has been increasing in opposition to the Vichy Government since Marshal Henri Philippe Petain, the Premier, removed M. Pierre Laval as Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister, abolishing the Vice-Premiership and substituting M. Flandin in the second post.

M. Laval holds the favour of Chancellor Hitler, most informed quarters believe.

Paris newspapers yesterday demanded the retirement of M. Flandin, as well as a majority of other members of Marshal Petain's cabinet, excepting General Charles Huntziger, Minister of War, and Admiral Francois Darland, Navy Minister.

Simultaneously, the Paris organs announced that Count Fernand de Brinon, French Ambassador-at-Large and liaison official with the German Government, was remaining in Paris, instead of returning to Vichy, as originally anticipated. This indicated that a French-German impasse was continuing.

The Paris press meanwhile also demanded that M. Laval be returned to the Vichy Cabinet.—United Press.

Foreign Pressmen "Gagged"

Interpretation of New Anti-Fifth Column Bill In Japan

Tokyo, Jan. 31.

A complete gag on foreign correspondents in Japan is seen through the anti-Fifth Column Bill introduced to the Diet yesterday by the Minister of Justice, Lieut-General Heisuke Yanagawa.

Besides declaring it illegal to make public or supply to foreign Powers information relating to diplomacy, finance, economy and other matters on which "secrecy should be maintained in the interests of national defence," the bill makes its stringent penalties applicable to certain crimes defined by the Army and Navy Penal Codes, the Law of Protection of Military Secrets, the Law for Protection of Secrets on Military Resources, and the National Mobilization Act.

Another feature of the bill is that it is applicable to crimes committed by all persons outside Japanese territory, they being held answerable for the crimes when coming under Japanese jurisdiction.

Article 8, especially would provide a blanket ban on any information "reflecting unfavourably" on Japan, with a punishment of up to 10 years imprisonment.

The revelation of national secrets to foreigners would be punishable by death under this new Bill.

The Foreign Office Spokesman, Mr. Ishii, this morning depicted himself as being most seriously affected should the law be enforced.—Reuter.

Warning Against Abuse

Tokyo, Jan. 31.

While welcoming the introduction in the Diet of the National Security Bill in the light of the development of Fifth Column technique in modern warfare, the influential "Asahi Shimbun" editorially warned against abuses of the proposed statutes under which "honest citizens shall be regarded as spies."

"We believe that before pitying the fate of the defeated nations, all of us feel admiration for the clever tactics of our German ally," declared the daily.

"It goes without saying that secret warfare consisting of espionage, propaganda and intrigue, forms an important phase of total national effort at the front, and at home, side by side with armed warfare," the editorial continued.

"It is only natural that vital secrets, not only of military matters, but relating to diplomacy, finance, economy and other national functions should be jealously guarded," declared the "Asahi."

The newspaper noted that since supreme national secrets were availabel only to high officials and those dealing with such vital matter, they should not have become available to foreign Powers in the past.

"It is undeniable that authorities should be more alert and careful in guarding secrets before demanding strict observance of the proposed statutes by the people," the editorial stated.—Domei.

Rush Into Marriage Young Japanese Told

And Forget Weight of Pay Envelope Official Says

Tokyo, Jan. 31.

An appeal to eligible young men in Japan to get married has been made by Mr. Kenichi Kumagaya, chief of the Social Bureau of the Welfare Ministry.

After warning the nation against the low birth rate of Japan at present as compared with China, India and Soviet Russia, Mr. Kumagaya urges all young men to "dash to the goal of marriage, forgetting for a moment the weight of their pay envelopes and the difficulty of finding suitable homes, for the Government will take care of the rest without fail."

He continues: "There are young men who hesitate to make homes for financial reasons, but such an attitude should no longer be allowed in this country, for marriage today is not merely for materialistic and physical enjoyment of life but for something nobler and greater.

"All those eligible in Japan must clearly understand why the Government is making such efforts in encouraging early marriages and child-bearing today. If they can comprehend this clearly. I would say that the Government will have achieved one half of its end in view.

"In 1920 the birth rate in Japan was a little more than 36 in one thousand. This was the peak. Ever since then, the rate has been on the decline.

"The birth rate in Japan showed a remarkable drop after the outbreak of the present China affair.

"Men marry at the age of 28 on the average in Japan nowadays while women at the ages ranging from 24 to 25. Women, however, reach the best period for pregnancy between 20 and 23 years.

"I know that one of the primary reasons for the delay in making new homes for most young men is financial difficulty. In order to remove this obstacle from the road to marriage, the Government is considering various counter-measures."—Reuter.

Wang Would Rather Die Than Obstruct Peace

Mr. Matsuoka on Desire For Merger in China

Tokyo, Jan. 31.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, head of the Nanking regime, would be ready to forfeit his life rather than be an obstruction to peace between Japan and China, according to Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Japanese Foreign Minister.

Testifying before the Lower House Budget Sub-committee, the Foreign Minister admitted the abandonment of the Japanese policy of not dealing with the Chungking Government along with Japan's recognition of the Wang Ching-wei regime. Japan was at present however, seeking the amalgamation of General Chiang Kai-shek's government with that of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, instead of negotiating directly.

Japan had taken no new steps since November, Mr. Matsuoka said, but Mr. Wang Ching-wei had informed Chungking that he was ready to accept obscurity, exile, or "would not regret even to die if only Chungking would reconsider peace with Japan."—Reuter.

British Exports of Livestock Increase

London, Jan. 31.

Preliminary figures of the exports of valuable pedigree livestock from Britain for breeding purposes during 1940 show a satisfactory increase in value over 1939. The figures are £1,800,000 against £1,683,000.

Seventy per cent., of the exports, which include dogs, fowls, ducks, pigeons and even oysters and bees, comprised horses for breeding or racing, the U.S.A. being easily Britain's biggest horse customer last year.—British Official Wireless.

Freedom of Tientsin Britons Questioned

Spokesman Replies to Commons Question

Tokyo, Jan. 31.

The Japanese authorities have been trying to give British subjects in the Tientsin area as much freedom as possible since the lifting of the blockade, but it must be considered that large-scale military operations are still going on in China, said the deputy spokesman of the Information Board today.

This statement was made when he was questioned regarding a London message that a question had been asked in the British House of Commons as to whether the situation in the British Concession at Tientsin was now satisfactory and whether British subjects were able to pass into the Concession and the adjacent occupied area without interferences. The question had been answered negatively by the Foreign Under-Secretary, Mr. R. A. Butler.—Reuter.

Rear-Adm. Kimmel Assumes U.S. Fleet Command Today

Numerous Changes in Personnel to Take Place Under Far-Reaching Reorganization Scheme

Honolulu, Jan. 31.

REAR-ADMIRAL Husband E. Kimmel on Saturday will take over command of the three Fleets of the United States Navy from Admiral James O. Richardson in a simple ceremony at Pearl Harbour, culminating a series of changes bringing new men to the command of the U.S. Battle Fleet.

The brief ceremony, which will be broadcast throughout the United States, will take place aboard the flagship U.S.S. Pennsylvania anchored in Pearl Harbour and will place Rear-Admiral Kimmel in command of the "strongest navy in the world," in the words of the U.S. Secretary of Navy, Colonel Frank Knox. Naval authorities said the usual pomp which accompanies a change in the Fleet Command would be dispensed with because of the current state of emergency. No salutes would be fired owing to a standing rule against the firing of guns in Pearl Harbour.

Rear-Admiral Kimmel will be piped aboard the Pennsylvania shortly after 10 a.m. tomorrow morning to be greeted by Admiral Richardson. Together they will proceed to the quarterdeck, where the new and old staffs and the various flag officers of the fleet will be assembled.

Standing beneath six 14-inch guns Admiral Richardson will read the orders relieving him of command of the Unitel States Fleet, order his flag lowered from the Pennsylvania's mainmast and make a brief speech.

Rear-Admiral Kimmel then will read the orders raising him to command of the Pacific Fleet, order his flag hoisted on the mainmast and make a few remarks. As Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Fleet, Rear-Admiral Kimmel also commands the Asiatic Fleet and the recently created Athantic Fleet, although for ordinary purposes they operate under the commands of Admiral Thomas C. Hart and Admiral Ernest King, respectively.

Promotion Won

With his rise to command of the United States Fleets Rear-Admiral Kimmel attains the rank of Admiral, while Admiral Richardson will report to Washington for undisclosed duty.

Rear-Admiral Kimmel, noted as a tactician, takes over the Pacific Fleet at one of the most critical periods in the history of the United States and of the Navy.

At the present time the main striking force of the Navy is concentrated in Hawaiian waters, and, according to the announcement of Col. Knox on January 8, the Pacific Fleet, most potent of the three Fleets, will continue to be based here.

While it is impossible to say exactly how many ships are in Hawaiian waters at any given time because of the fact that Fleet units constantly are coming and going from Pearl Harbour and because of the veil of secrecy with which the navy shrouds ship movements, it is known that approximately 146 combat ships and numerous auxiliary craft have been stationed here most of the time since the conclusion of Spring exercises in April, 1940, in addition to at least 350 planes.

The vessels include 12 of the Navy's 15 battleships, four of the five aircraft carriers, ten of the 19 heavy cruisers, 15 of the 21 light cruisers, 70 of the 184 destroyers, and 35 of the 50 submarines.

Some of these ships have been transferred to Manila, including a number of submarines, and a few have been shifted to the Atlantic, but it is believed that a majority of the ships will remain stationed in Hawaiian waters, giving Hawaii the greatest naval concentration in the world. It is estimated that 50,000 men, including civilian employees of the navy, enlisted and officer personnel, are located here.

To Remain in Hawaii

Despite reports of activity in the Orient, rumours of impending transfer of United States vessels to Singapore and the known shift of some naval planes and submarines to Manila, reliable naval quarters here believe that the United States Naval strength will remain concentrated in Hawaii unless developments in Europe require U.S. Naval action in the Atlantic.

With the main Fleet based here it acts as a potential threat to Japan in case of a Japanese move toward Manila or the Dutch East Indies. At the same time—as long as the Panama Canal remains open—the Fleet could be moved to an Atlantic theatre of war on short notice.

The United States is engaged in perfecting its Pacific naval establishment to make it impregnable and at the same time provide for the necessities of a strong striking force. Hawaii often is described as the "Gibraltar of the Pacific" but it is more than a Gibraltar, since its function as a land fortress is only incidental to its function as a naval base.

Well-Equipped Station

In Pearl Harbour the United States Navy has an excellently equipped Fleet "service station" for the repair and upkeep of the Fleet. The harbour is nearly ideal, with an easily defended entrance channel and broader loches within, affording good anchorage for the ships of the fleet.

The Navy has one fear with regard to Pearl Harbour. Its entrance channel is so narrow that it might easily be blocked by the sinking of one ship, thus bottling up as much of the Fleet as happened to be within the Harbour at the time. With this in mind Fleet operations are carried on to a large extent from Lahai Roads, off the Island of Maui, about 70 miles south-east of the island of Oahu, on which are located Honolulu and Pearl Harbour.

Commandant of the Fourteenth Naval District, which includes Pearl Habour and the outlying island bases in the Hawaiian area, is Rear-Admiral Claude C. Bloch who preceded Admiral Richardson as Commander-in-Chief of the United States Fleet.

Defences Strengthened

The Navy and Army, the latter being charged with defence of Hawaii and more specifically of Pearl Harbour, spent approximately $155,000,000 in Hawaii last year in "routine" expenditures strengthening defences and providing housing for the vast influx of civilian workers and enlisted and officer personnel.

In addition to the work being done at Pearl Harbour the Navy is working on a new $5,800,000 air development plan at Kaneohe Bay, on Oahu, while the Army has 17 swiftly expanding air bases scattered throughout the other Hawaiian islands in addition to its main base at Hickam Field next to Pearl Harbour.

To warn in advance of any possible attack, "listening posts" have been established at Midway, Johnston and the Palmyra islands.

At Midway 1,400 miles north-west of Honolulu, where $1,878,000 was spent last year on a rivers and harbours project, Navy workers now are building a $4,000,000 seaplane and advance base.

Inlet Dredged

The inlet at Johnston Island, 717 miles west, south-west of Honolulu, has been dredged to make the island available for naval use, while at Palmyra, a group of 54 islets 960 miles south of Honolulu another $1,000,000 seaplane and landing base is underway.

While these islands would be valuable as "listening posts" to warn of attack, it has been pointed out that others could also be used in event of a United States naval advance toward the Orient. In Washington recently it was reported that the navy has "blue-printed" the road to Singapore from Hawaii, involving fueling and supply bases at Palmyra, Canton, Howland, Baker and the Samoan Islands and at Port Moresby, Paua and Port Darwin, Australia.

Many Changes Begin

Shifts in the Fleet Command began today when Rear-Admiral David W. Bagley, former Commandant at Mare island, relieved Rear-Admiral Walter N. Vernou as Commander of Battleship Division II. Rear-Admiral Vernou goes to the Pacific Coast to succeed Rear-Admiral Sinclair Gannon as President of the Pacific Coast Board of Inspection Survey. Rear-Admiral Gannon is scheduled to retire April 1.

Rear-Admiral Walter S. Anderson, former Director of Naval Intelligence, succeeded Vice-Admiral William S. Pye as Commander of Battleships Battle Force and Vice-Admiral Pye relieved Admiral Charles P. Snyder as Commander of the Battle Force. Admiral Snyder has been assigned to the Navy General Board.

Captain William Robert Munroe, Commander of the U.S.S. Mississippi, relieved Rear-Admiral Arthur Philip Fairfields as Commander of Battleship Division III. Captain Munroe was raised to the rank of Rear-Admiral.

Rear-Admiral Herbert F. Leary, Director of Fleet Training is to relieve Rear-Admiral Kimmel as Commander of Cruisers Battle force aboard the U.S.S. Honolulu.

Rear-Admiral Wilson Brown, former Superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, will relieve Vice-Admiral Adolphus Andrews as Commander of the Scouting Force. Vice-Admiral Andrews will be transferred to Commandant of the Third Naval District, New York, to succeed Rear-Admiral Clark H. Woodward, who retires on April 1.

Rear-Admiral Sherwood A. Taffinder, Chief-of-Staff to the Commander-in-Chief, relieves Rear-Admiral John H. Newton as Commander of Cruiser division V.

Rear-Admiral Newton relieves Rear-Admiral Gilbert J. Rowcliff as Commander of Cruisers Scouting Force. Rear-Admiral Rowcliff has been assigned to the Navy General Board at Washington, D. C.—United Press.

Thieves Steal Infected Fowl

Vichy, Jan. 31.

There usually is little of news value in chicken thefts, but the chickens that were stolen yesterday from the College de France—they are news!

Even when roasted, the five hens and five roosters stolen can be considered lethal, university authorities said, because all 10 had been innoculated with diptheria germs for college experiments.—United Press.

Soviet Army Leader Stresses Infantry

Troops Deciding Factor In Modern Battles

Moscow, Jan. 31.

"Teach the troops only what is necessary for them to know during wartime, and teach them as if they were under actual war conditions."

This is the keynote of an order regarding military training in 1941 issued by Marshal Timoschenko, Soviet Defence Commissar.

Marshal Timoschenko stresses the importance of infantry in modern warfare, and urges that arms should be so coordinated as to secure the maximum advantage for the infantry, "which is the deciding factor in modern battles."

The newspaper "Red Star," organ of the Red Army, declares that "without good infantry, victory can never be achieved in modern warfare."

According to Marshal Timoschenko, another prerequisite for victory is discipline, which he describes as the chief strength of the army, and adds that it is necessary to increase the authority of the commanders.—Reuter.

N.E.I. Army Shows How To Span Rivers

90 Feet Stretch Bridged In Two Minutes

Batavia, Java, Jan. 31.

Spanning a river 90-feet in width in two minutes is no extraordinary feat for the engineer corps of the Netherlands East Indies Army.

One section of 50 native soldiers under European officers can accomplish this, cross the structure, and destroy it behind them—all within five minutes.

Advancing or retreating, the advantage of such military efficiency is obvious. The method is a simple one, and basically sound from an engineering standpoint.

Every engineer company has in its portable stores sections of bamboo 10 feet long. These are swiftly lashed together and lifted to the shoulders of the native troops. Thereby the whole length of the bridge is held up in a long snake-like parade on one bank of the river.

A rubber boat is paddled to the opposite side carrying inch-wide ropes. The men with the bridge double to the water's edge. The bridge is hauled across by means of rope cables and tied to a nearby tree or to stakes.

Other ropes run at angles from the bridge to prevent it from swaying with the current.

Two minutes after the rubber boat has left one side of the shore the bridge is secured, and the men dash across it, spacing their file so that no two men are on the same section at once.

In three and a half minutes the whole engineering section has crossed.

A couple of well placed hand grenades, and the bridge is a shattered wreck behind them.

Or, if the bridge is to be saved, it can be dragged ashore, the sections unlashed and stacked to wait for truck transport.

Naturally the bridge can only be used for infantry and the lightest equipment.

The normal terrain of the N.E.I. is watered by countless streams and rivers. The operation of an army in Java necessitates the construction of bridges of all types.—United Press.

Cuba Bans Nazis

Havana, Jan. 31.

The Government of Cuba has decreed all totalitarian associations illegal and prohibited the use of totalitarian flags and emblems, and banned all totalitarian propaganda.

The decree is considered to be aimed at Nazis, Fascists and Communists equally.—Reuter.

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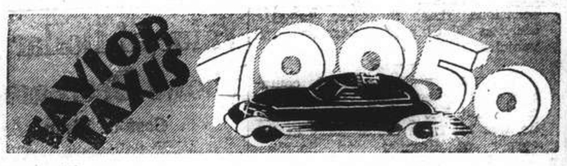

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FROM DAY TO DAY

A MEETING of the Shanghai Municipal Council has been convened for Tuesday at 4.30 p.m.

THERE will be a Mass at St. Joseph's Convent, 37 Rue Montauban at 8 a.m., tomorrow and all former pupils are cordially invited to attend.

MR. H. Vetch of the French Bookstore, Peiping, has arrived in Shanghai from Indo-China and expected to be here for a week before his return to the North.

DR. Chu Min-yi, Nanking Ambassador to Japan, sailed for Japan yesterday morning in the ss. Yawata Maru, to take up his post at Tokyo, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports.

MANCHOUKUO Consulates-General will be established in China, at Shanghai, Peiping, Kalgan, Tsingtao and Tsinen, on July 1, the "Tairiku Shimpo" stated yesterday.

THE Rev. C. Wilfrid Allan will officiate at the morning service at Union Church tomorrow at 10.45 a.m. Immediately following this service the monthly Communion Service will be held.

MAJOR Akiyama will become the new Chief of the Shanghai Press Bureau of the Japanese Expeditionary Forces in China. Colonel Saito, the retiring chief, has been appointed to an important post.

MAIL matter addressed to the following, care of the American Consulate-General, remained uncalled for on January 31: Gavino Gutierrez, Donald Jackson, Carmencita Neustro, Miss Eleanor Shew and Alfred Wilkens.

In the series of talks on "Christian Issues in wartime," given from XCDN on Sunday evenings, the speaker tomorrow evening at 9.15 will be Dr. Bernard Reed, whose subject will be "The faith of a scientist in wartimes."

AN emergency ambulance was called out to the corner of Gordon and Markham Roads at 10.20 a.m. yesterday to take a Chinese male to Shou Ming Hospital. The man had fallen from a staircase and sustained laceration of scalp.

THE canal connecting Soochow and Hangchow, closed for some time past, was reopened Friday, when the Inland River Steamship Navigation Company held official opening ceremonies at Tumen, near Kashing last Friday, according to the "Shanghai Mainichi."

PROPERTY to the value of $500 was taken away by a gang of five robbers who entered a Chinese dwelling at 107/35 Yalu Road at 5 a.m. yesterday. One of the desperadoes was armed with a pistol, with which he intimidated the occupants while the others made a thorough search of the premises.

The Soochow and Hongkew bridges were closed for short periods from 10 a.m. yesterday as a precautionary measure taken by the Japanese authorities during the visit of Admiral Osumi. As on all previous occasions, these measures included searches of Chinese pedestrians and vehicles.

A CHINESE male sustained contusion of chest and fracture of clavicle at 1.45 p.m. yesterday when he was hit by a motor lorry at the corner of Kiangse and Soochow Roads. The victim was sweeping coal dust off the road when he was hit by the vehicle. He was taken to the Lester Chinese Hospital.

AT the regular Friday tiffin of the R.A.F.A. yesterday Mr. V. J. B. Holland, the President, suggested that an insignia be adopted for the "China Squadron" of Hurricane fighters. The suggestion was that a motto of "I Spit Fire" below an insignia of a double dragon should be used, this being approved by the committee.

THE Shanghai Hebrew Mission is opening a reading room. Gifts of books and magazines, Christian and secular, will be welcomed. Specially are books descriptive of China, Chinese people desired. Books, etc., in either English or German will be acceptable. Please send to the office of the Mission, room 209, 169 Yuen Ming Yuen Road.

POOR ventilating facilities in Chinese dwellings were indirectly responsible for a poisoning of a Chinese male who was taken to the St. Luke's No. 2 hospital at 3.10 a.m. yesterday when he was found overcome by fumes from a charcoal stove at his house at the corner of Connaught and Yenping Roads. He was expected to live.

THE 5th chamber music concert of the Baer-Wittenberg-Schoenbach trio with the collaboration of the baritone Mr. Robert Rosé in the Shanghai American School, 10 Avenue Petain, will take place on Wednesday at 9 a.m. The programme will be as follows:

Trio E major .....Mozart
Songs .....Schubert
Trio B flat major op. 97 ....Beethoven

THE Missions to Seamen acknowledge with grateful thanks the following gifts during January. Books and magazines from—"North China Daily News," "Shanghai Times," "China Press," "Lloyd's Publishing Co," B.W.A. Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Sir Jacob Behrens, Messrs. L. C. Healey, R. V. Thomas, T. E Gray, L. Denham, E. R. Buckley. Mesdames Clifford G. Flook, Hawkes Pott, Jackson, F. W. Carey, J. H. Hay, and many anonymous donors. Gramophone records from Mrs. Irving Brown. Shanghai Football Association $300.

DR. Lee S. Huizenga will be on the air three times in the interest of various charity organizations of Shanghai today over XMHD, Shanghai Christian Broadcasting Association, 128 Museum Road, operating under a frequency of 760 kilocycles, wavelength 395 metres. At 1 p.m. the doctor will speak for the Shanghai Hebrew Mission on "The Christian attitude toward the Jews." At 6 p.m. he will broadcast for the Shanghai Child Welfare Association on "Transformed Lives" and at 7 p.m. on "Isolation, the only known and tried preventive measure in leprosy control." The last broadcast will be on behalf of the Chinese Mission to Lepers.

Mobilizing the Empire's Resources

Important Decisions Reached at Recent Delhi Conference by Eastern Representatives

AT a time when world attention is focussed on the determination of the American Government to give all possible material aid to Britain, it is often overlooked that the countries and colonies of the British Empire are far from sitting with folded hands waiting for the New World once again to redress the balance of the Old. Owing to the necessarily slow process of mobilizing peace-time industrial resources for the purposes of war, the full weight of the Empire's industrial and economic strength has not yet come into the scales, but it is clear that as the war moves on from stage to stage, the strength and resources of the British overseas Empire will play an increasingly decisive role. In what are as yet the early phases of this war, Great Britain has had to bear the main burden, but as time goes on the Dominions, India, the Colonies and Dependencies will come to play an ever-increasing part as the Colossus of Empire is progressively set in motion.

The truth of this was recently given point by the Conference of the Eastern Group on War Supplies, held at Delhi and attended by representatives of India, Burma, the Malay States, Hong Kong, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, the East African Colonies, Palestine, and Ceylon. Not a great deal of newspaper publicity has been given to this extremely important piece of war-time co-ordination, due to more exciting war events dominating the headlines, but of the significance of the Conference as regards the future of the Empire's war supplies there can be no possible doubt. The purpose of the Conference was to inform those attending it of the needs of British armies in the Near East and elsewhere, and to take measures to ensure that each of the countries or Colonies—all alike threatened by events in Europe and in the Eastern Mediterranean — should make its maximum contribution towards defeating the common danger.

There was much frank talking. The opening speech of the Viceroy and the inspiriting message from Mr. Winston Churchill, which was read to conclude the opening ceremony, emphasized that much must be done and done speedily.

Delegates Impressed

Professor D. J. Sloss, who was the delegate from Hongkong, reports that delegates were much impressed, and perhaps a little overawed. But the temper changed to one of greater optimism when the Conference learnt of the magnificent progress Australia has made, not only in mobilizing her man power, but in providing the essential supplies for home defence, for her overseas forces, and as a contribution even to the defence of Britain. In view of her relatively small population, in view, too, of the limits of her fluid capital, Australia might justifiably say: "We are doing all that can be expected of us." But that was not the answer. She is still prepared to extend production, to do things; and the only limit she recognizes lies in the phrase that illuminates her effort in this war as it did in the last, "Every man and every shilling."

India, too, has shouldered a vast burden for the supply of her own armies, and for the armies in the Middle East. The men who have worked heroically to reorganize military supplies in India can look with profound satisfaction on the achievements in Libya. This is, in part, a victory, not only of Indian troops, but of the Department of Supplies of the Government of India, which, in co-operation with the Master General of Ordnance and his Department, has produced some of the equipment that has made General Wavell's advance a triumphant progress. Much as she has done, India is well on the way to do more. Extensions of factories are in progress, new factories are under construction, still more are projected and there are vast schemes for the training of craftsmen—all this ensures that Britain's armies shall be clad, equipped and adequately supplied. South Africa's great industrial area still produces its output of gold but is producing, too, a great deal that her own and the armies of His Majesty's Government require.

Colonies' Production

The Colonies generally are producers of raw materials and foodstuffs, but each is in a position to produce also some of the countless things that an army in the field requires. It was early apparent in the deliberations of the Conference that Hong Kong stood easily first among the Colonies in respect of what she can produce to meet the demands of the forces.

In one respect Hong Kong is preeminent. It is doing more than any port outside of the British Isles in the production of new ships; and in the kind of warfare that Britain faces can there be any more valuable contribution? Hong Kong can supplement the Indian textile industry for the supply of the armies; in the engineering stores that form so fundamental a part of the equipment of a modern army, that, at present, almost untapped resources of the Hong Kong area are possibly the greatest remaining reservoir of supply in the Eastern Group.

The final stages of the Conference were given up mainly to considering three things: first, what new production was possible and where it was possible; second, what body was to be responsible for co-ordinating existing production, stimulating new production and generally for seeing that the things produced were transported as rapidly as possible to the hands that were to use them; and third, how all this vast system of purchase, manufacture and transport was to be financed.

Other Things Considered

It considered other things too—the needs of civil populations, difficulties over shipping, and so on—but these three were the fundamental problems. Clearly all hope of success depends on a strong central direction of all efforts. Hence the Conference recommended the establishment of a central supply authority, not to override existing Governments—that would lead to chaos—but composed of men who by their integrity, industry and ability, will have the moral authority to say to one Government, "Make this," and to another "Make that," in the assurance that their expressed wishes will have the force of commands.

The indications are that this central authority will be established without delay. Recommendations made about how its operation should be financed may, in practice, be modified; but their intention will not; for the whole intention was that its operations should be carried through with a maximum directness and speed. After participating Governments have had an opportunity of considering them, these recommendations will no doubt be published and receive general approval.

As regards Hong Kong, Professor Sloss has pointed out that the Colony must know with the greatest precision what it can produce and in what time. Much work has already been done on this, some of it long before there was any talk of a Conference in India. But everything must be verified. A more detailed census of industrial production for war supplies in Hong Kong must therefore be taken in hand, and after that has been done the industrialists of Hong Kong will have to be prepared to supply not what they like to make, not what it pays them to make, but what the armies require; and nobody is to become rich in the process.

Speed Essential

The same will apply throughout the whole Group. There is to be a great increase in the war efforts of all. "Speed," as the Viceroy said, "is the essential of these labours." The Delhi Conference was a demonstration of a fact that has power to impress even our enemies, namely, that in the loose-knit congeries of states and peoples known as the British Empire, there are vast reserves and resources which all are determined to use in a great co-operative effort to save the only civilization that we know or are likely to know in this generation.

When it is remembered that at this Eastern Group Conference there were representatives of eleven countries with a population of five hundred million people it will be realized that it marked an imposing rallying to the Mother Country. The Empire's resources in metals and raw materials of all sorts are prodigious; they are coming more and more into the scales and in increasingly finished or fabricated form; they will swell a volume from Britain and America that will supply the decisive answer to the German possession—by force—of almost every industrial area of Europe. This free association of far-flung communities will assure the victory of those fighting for the preservation of free institutions and humaniterian liberalism.

Value of Dollar Shows Decrease

Cost of Living Among Foreigners, Chinese Reviewed by S.M.C.

The purchasing power of the dollar has shown a further decrease, according to a survey made by the Shanghai Municipal Council. The provisional cost of living of foreign employees for January showed an increase of 6.53 per cent. over December 1940, while the value of the dollar was reduced by 47.91 per cent. as against 44.51 in December.

The increase was the heaviest in the case of Russians, whose general index rose by 11.45 points to 194.69. Next were other nationalities with 193.88 points. Rentals rose further in January and accommodation registered increases from 4.19 to 14.88 per cent. over November. Municipal rates in the French Concession were increased from 22 to 30 per cent. in January.

Apart from tomatoes and carrots, a marked rise in prices of foodstuffs was registered during the month, some of them showing an increase of twenty per cent. Of the 34 items in clothing and materials groups, all but crepe de chine showed a tendency to increase in cost.

Due to the mild weather, demand for coal this winter has not been active, but Hongay cobbles have nevertheless risen by 3.85 per cent. In the miscellaneous group, increases included those of the tram fares in the International Settlement, tram and bus fares in the French Concession, and admission fees in cinema houses.

Among the Chinese, living costs registered 3.02 per cent. over December 1940, the purchasing power of the dollar dropping from 17.25 in that month to 16.75 cents in January.

Despite a change for the better in the rice situation and the fact that imported rice continued to arrive in large quantities, a general rise in prices was recorded. Flour prices rose by 16.16 per cent. as compared with December, while salted pork, eggs, soya bean oil, consumed at festival time, also showed a tendency to increase in price. Prices of vegetables, on the other hand, fell markedly.

Of the 58 items included in the Chinese index, 37 items have shown further rises as compared with the previous month, fifteen have shown drops, and only six remained the same.

Japan Consulates in Manchoukuo Reduced

Changchun, Jan. 31.

The number of Japanese consulates in Manchoukuo is to be reduced. Their functions are to be taken over by Manchoukuo officials.

It is felt that the border administration in North Manchoukuo has now reached the stage where the Japanese diplomatic service may transfer to Manchoukuo agents the work of gathering information about the north.

Japanese Embassy authorities have decided to abolish the four consulates at Hailar, Tungan, Suifenho and Hunchun, also several branch consulates.—Reuter.

SHIPPING NEWS

The ss. **Kobe Maru**, fast liner of the Toa Kaiun Kaisya, left Shanghai yesterday morning at 8.30 on her return trip to Nagasaki direct with mail and passengers. The liner arrived on the previous day, berthing alongside the company's Wayside Wharf.

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The ss. **Tsingtao Maru**, fast liner of the D.K.K., running between Shanghai, Tsingtao and Dairen, is due to arrive in port at about 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, docking at the company's Whangpoo Wharf. She will remain here for 36 hours, sailing again for the North on February 4 at 9 a.m.

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The ss. **McKeesport**, of the American Pioneer Lines, operated by the American President Lines, is expected to enter port late this afternoon from Baltimore, via New York, Savannah, the Panama Canal and Manila. The vessel, which brings a shipment of general cargo for local discharge, will tie up alongside the Old Ningpo Wharf, Shanghai side.

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The ss. **Dairen Maru**, express liner of the D.K.K., operating on the Shanghai-Tsingtao-Dairen run, is due to sail on her return voyage to the northern ports this morning at 9 o'clock. The liner arrived here two days ago, berthing alongside the company's Whangpoo Wharf. Ordinary letter mail will be closed at the Post Office at 7.15 this morning. Passengers are requested to embark from the wharf between 7 and 7.30 this morning.

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The ss. **Nagasaki Maru**, shuttle steamer of the Toa Kaiun Kaisya, running between Shanghai and Nagasaki, is scheduled to enter port this afternoon at about 3 o'clock, berthing alongside the company's Wayside Wharf. The liner, which carries mail and passengers, will remain here overnight, sailing on her return trip to Japan tomorrow morning at 8.30. Registered and ordinary mail for the ship will be closed at the post office at 7.30 and 8 o'clock tonight, respectively. Outgoing passengers should embark from the wharf direct at least half an hour before sailing time.

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive today are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From NAGASAKI: Nagasaki Maru, with mail, due 3 p.m., Wayside Wharf.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From Bombay & Calcutta		From Karachi	
M'bourne M	— 19/2	Kasima M	— 16/2

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From New York		From Seattle	
P Monroe	— 5/2	C'worth	10/1 3/2
Dona A'rora	— 21/2	W C'seta	20/1 11/2
From Los Angeles		**From Honolulu**	
A'ma M	18/12 3/2	P C'lidge	29/1 11/2
P C'lidge	20/1 11/2	Tatuta M	13/1 17/2
Tatuta M	5/1 17/2	**From Kobe**	
Nitta M	24/1 3/3	Taiyo M	30/1 2/2
From San Fco.		Asama M	1/2 3/2
Nitta M	28/1 3/3	**From Nagasaki**	
		Kobe M	3/2 4/2

CHINA PORTS

From Dairen		From Hongkong	
T'tao M	31/1 2/2	Delagoa M	1/2 3/2

Vessels Sailing

NORTH CHINA COAST

From NEW YORK: McKeesport, due late afternoon, Old Ningpo Wharf

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The undermentioned vessels are due to leave Shanghai on the dates indicated.

For Capetown		**For Hongkong**	
P Monroe	6/2	Asama M	4/2
For Karachi		Collingsworth	4/2
Okitu M	7/2	P Monroe	6/2
For New York		P Coolidge	12/2
P Monroe	6/2	West Cuseta	14/2
Nankai M	14/2	**For Kobe**	
Dona Aurora	22/2	Taiyo M	5/2
For Los Angeles		**For Nagasaki**	
P Cleveland	9/2	Nagasaki M	2/2
Nankai M	14/2	Kobe M	5/2
Asama M	14/2	S'hai M	15/2
P Coolidge	25/2	**For Dairen**	
For Seatle		Dairen M	1/2
Collingsworth	4/2	Tsingtao M	4/2
For Manila		Hoten M	7/2
Collingsworth	4/2	Dairen M	9/2
P Monroe	6/2		
P Coolidge	12/2		
West Cuseta	14/2		
Tatuta M	18/2		

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Yamagiri M.	Japan	Y.K.K.
Heian M.	Korea	N.Y.K.
Hokko M.	Tsingtao	Y.K.K.
Anshing	Keelung	T.K.K.
Vanping	T'senkong	Chung Hua
Asahi M.	Tsingtao	K.U.K.
Yosida M. 3	Japan	Y.K.K.
Takusui M.	Keelung	Y.K.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Yawata M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Penang M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Elko M.	Jap.	M.B.K.
Wichita	Am.	A.P.L.
U.S.S. Oahu	Am.	—
Tainan M.	Jap.	T.K.K.

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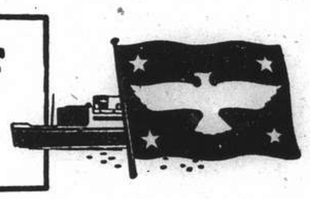

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PRES. PIERCE .. .. Mar. 8
PRES. TAFT .. .. Mar. 22
PRES. CLEVELAND .. .. Apr. 5

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PRES. COOLIDGE .. .. Feb. 12
PRES. GRANT .. .. Mar. 19

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ss. HOTEN MARU .. .. Feb. 5 Feb. 7 at 9 a.m.
ss. DAIREN MARU .. Feb. 7 Feb. 9 at 9 a.m.
DAIREN-TIENTSIN LINE (Sailing from Dairen)
ss. MANJYU MARU .. .. Feb. 4 at 2 p.m.
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ss. RYOGA MARU Feb. 6 ss. KOGA MARU Feb. 9
ss. HAKKA MARU Feb. 15

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ss. COLLINGSWORTH	Sailed	Feb. 2/4	Feb. 8	Feb. 13
ms. WEST CUSSETA	Jan. 20	Feb. 12/14	Feb. 18	Feb. 23
ss. SATARTIA	Feb. 15	Mar. 9/11	Mar. 15	Mar. 19
ss. COLDBROOK	Feb. 25	Mar. 19/21	Mar. 25	Mar. 29

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK
FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 1941

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3⅜d.		$ 71.11
U.S. $100 @ 5⅜		$1,860.47
Yen	22⅞	$100
Guilders	10	100
Rupees	18¾	100
Pesos	10⅝	100
Hongkong	$22⅜	100

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3⅜d.	$ 69.18
U.S. $100 @ 5½	$1,818.00
London—demand. $1=	3¼d.
4 months' sight credits	3¼d.
4 months' sight docts.	3¼d
6 months' sight credits	3⅛d
6 months' sight docts	3⅛d
New York—demand, $100=	U.S. $5½
4 months' sight credits	U.S. $5½
4 months' sight docts	U.S. $5⅞

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

£1=U.S. $4.03½ U.S. $1=59.48d.

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ...... 3⅜d. U.S. $5½
Hongkong/London 1/3

NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY

Java Guilders ...... Selling 10

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Selling U.S.$100=$1,882.352 £1=$72.452

HUA HSING COMMERCIAL BANK

Sterling Selling Rate @ 6d per H.H.$ 1
U.S.$ Selling ,, @ 9½ ,, H.H.$100
Local $ (Fapi) selling @ 176 per H.H.$100

CUSTOM OFFICIAL RATES FOR DUTY PAYMENTS

Gold Unit 1.00—Hua Hsing $2.794
Gold Unit 1.00—Local Dollar $5.030

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

	Highest	Lowest
£	3 25/32	3 25/32
U.S. $	5 13/32	5 13/32

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

Selling				Buying
Cash			Jan./Feb.	
£	T.T.	3⅜	4 m/s. l.c.	3½
U.S.$	T.T.	5⅝	4 m/s. l.c.	5½
Rs.	T.T.	18¾	15 d/s.	19¼

BAR SILVER

	Ready	For'd
London pence per std. oz.	23¼	23¼
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	63.03	—

Bombay offtake 20 bars.

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

New York closing rate for Jan. 30 4.03½
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close 3.82
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close 3.83

The local market opened with sellers at 3 25/32d sterling and 5 13/32 U.S.$. Shortly after the opening these rates became buyers, and the market continued at the lower level with small business passing until noon. In the early afternoon small sellers appeared at the opening rates, and these rates were maintained until the close, when the market was dull, with sellers at:—

3 25/32d.	Sterling	5 13/32	U.S.$.	Cash
3⅜	,,	5⅜	,,	Feb.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, Jan. 30.

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

Japan	81¼	London	1/5 31/32
New York	332¼	2 mths	
Shanghai	20½	,, sellers	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	84½	,, buyers	1/6 1/32
		Japan 2 mths	
		,, sellers	82¾
		,, buyers	77

London & Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Bombay	1/6 1/16
Madrid	40.00	Hongkong	1/3 1/16
Berne	17.30	Singapore	2/4 1/16
Bel Congo	176½	Yokohama	1/2½
Shanghai	3 25/32d.	,, buying	1/2

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.05	Brazil	5.05
Spain	9.25 N.	Japan	23.45/48*
Paris	2.17	Shanghai	5.56
Italy	5.05 N.	Hungary	19.75
S'zerland	23.25	Rumania	0.50
,, (Free)	23.55	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	23.85	Finland	2.05
Montreal	82.810	Manila	49.80 N.
London			4.03½
Buenos Aires Paper			29.78
,, ,, ,, market rate			23.70
Montreal on London			4.87¾

N—Nom. *Offered. †—Free rate.—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:		Jan. 30.
Fine Bank Bills.	3 months	1 [illegible]
Bank Bills.	6 months	1 [illegible]
Fine Trade Bills.	3 months	2¾%
Fine Trade Bills.	6 months	3¼%
Call money		0⅞%
New York:		
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months		0⅛% B
		0 1/16% A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months		0 3/16% B
		0⅛% A
Call money		1%

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Cotton yn. 20's. D. H.	per bale	$1,425
Tungchow cotton ..	per picul	235
Shanghai cotton	per picul	214
		picul
Raw silk. Steamfil, 20/22 78%		$4,900
		nom.
Flour local ..	per bag (49lb.)	$23.00
Flour, export ..	per bag (49lb.)	24.50

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Jan. 31.	Bid Prices a.m. Closing	p.m. Closing
Atoks	.205 S	.205 S
Antamok	—	.05
Big Wedge	.24 S	.24 S
Consolidated Mines	.0018 S	.0018 S
Demonstration	.05	.05
East Mindanao	.07	.07
I. X. L.	.235	.235 S
Itogen	.1475 S	.1475 S
Masbate Consolidated ..	—	.09
North Camarines	.025	.025
Paracale Gumaus	—	.275
Surigao Consolidated ..	—	.175
Suyoc	.09	.09 S
United Paracale	.12	—
Mindanao Motherlode ..	.12	.1225 S
Benguet Consolidated .. (over the counter)	4.30 Asked	

Turnover (Morning Session): 33,900 Pesos.
Shares Index (Morning Session): 46.53.
S—Sales.—Reuter.

Silver Quotations

	Jan. 30	Jan. 31
London spot	23¼d.	23¼d.
,, forward	23¼d.	23¼d.
,, gold	168/-	168/-

—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

With the New York Stock Market again lower, the tone of the market yesterday was somewhat easier, though there was no serious change in price. Docks were again the leading share but the price was lower at about $36 buyers at the close. There was a good turnover in Wheelocks at slightly lower rates. Selling was not of serious proportions however, and with shorts covering, weekend liquidation was easily absorbed. Rubbers were also easier but quiet.

Official Averages

High	Low		Today's Average	Change
462.56	105.32	General	321.14	—0.73
485.40	95.55	Rubbers	333.66	—4.30

Total 436,210 shares, 500 bonds.

Morning Session

30/1/41

Auto Palace					1000	*25.50
Yangtsze Finance					2000	19.70
	8000	19.80	500	*19.80	1000	*19.70
	500	19.60	500	*19.60	4000	19.50
	2000	19.40	500	*19.50	2500	19.60
S'hai Loan (New)			500	26.25	1000	26.00
	500	*26.00				
I. I. Trust			500	28.75	1500	*28.75
	7000	28.50	2000*	28.50	2500	*28.25
	4000	28.25	500	*28.00	500	28.00
	2000	28.50				
S'hai Securities (X.D.)					500	6.70
	4500	6.60	2000	6.65	500	*6.65
	1500	6.75	12000	6.85	500	*6.90
	5500	6.80	8000	*6.85	3500	[illegible]
	1000	6.80	1500	*6.80	6000	6.75
	3000	*6.75	3000	6.70	8500	6.80
	2000	*6.80				
China Realty			1000	*10.10	1500	*10.00
	1500	10.00	6000	10.10		
S'hai Land			13000	14.40	1000	*14.40
	500	14.50	500	14.30	500	[illegible]
	3000	14.00	2000	14.10	500	*14.10
Dockyards			2600	37.00	500	36.50
	1700	*36.75	2400	36.75	600	*37.00
	300	*37.25	900	37.25	2600	36.50
	300	36.75	200	*36.25	1300	36.50
	1300	*36.75	1700	36.75	100	*36.50
	5000	36.50	3900	36.25	600	*36.00
	5700	36.00	3400	35.75	600	*36.00
Ewo Brewery			500	9.20	9500	9.25
	1500	*9.25	500	*9.30	6500	9.20
	1000	*9.15	4500	9.15	7000	*9.10
	6000	9.10	7500	9.05	2000	*9.10
	11500	9.15	1000	*9.10		
Wheelock			5000	106.00	1300*	106.00
	1700	106.50	1600	105.50	3000	105.00
	400*	105.00	1500	104.50	200*	105.50
	100	105.50	200	105.00		
Ewo Mills (Ord)			1500	*51.00	2200	50.50
	2000	50.00	200	*51.50	11900	51.00
	4500	50.50	600	*50.50	4700	50.00
	2000	*50.00	100	*50.50	3400	50.50
	100	51.00				
Central Prop					2000*	†21.00
Textile			5000	9.90	1000	*10.00
	8500	10.00	6500	10.10	1000	*10.10
	1500	*10.00	2000	9.95	500	10.00
	2000	*9.95	4500	9.90	500	*9.90
	500	9.95	2000	9.85	500	9.95
Worsted			1500	7.05	2000	7.00
	1000	*7.05	1500	6.95	4000	6.90
C. G. Omnibus			300	20.50	300	20.25
	100	*20.50	300	20.00		
Telephone			1200	41.50	1300	41.75
	200	41.25	100	*41.75		
S'hai Gas (Old)			100	19.00	200	19.10
	400	19.00				
Lumber			300	59.00	800	58.50
	500	58.00	1300	57.50		
Metal (Old)			3000	35.25	1000	*35.50
	1600	35.50	2000	*35.25	1000	35.00
	1500	34.75	500	*34.75	5700	35.00
	600	35.25				
Metal (New)			1600	30.25	1800	30.00
	500	*30.25	1100	29.75	600	29.50
	1500	30.00	400	30.25	400	*30.25
Exploration			2500	27.75	1500	27.50
	5500	27.25	6500	27.00	500	*27.25
Power (Pref)			50*	131.50	150	131.50
Anglo Dutch			600	23.25	600	23.00
	600	22.75	100	*23.00		
Anglo Java			100	46.75	100	*46.75
	1300	46.50	200	*46.50	900	46.25
	100	46.75				
Java Consolidated					3000	4.25
Kroewoek			2000	3.20	5000	3.17½
Langkat			100	*34.75	100	34.50
	600	34.25	300	*34.00	2200	34.00
	3600	33.75	700	33.50	600	*33.7[illegible]
Repah					1000	1.[illegible]
Rubber Trust			1000	12.30	2500	12.2[illegible]
	2000	*12.20	2000	12.00		
Samagaga			3000	1.84	1000	1.80
Senawang					1000	1.64
Tanah Merah					1000	3.60
Tebong			1000	1.68	3000	1.6[illegible]
Ziangbe			1300	27.25	100	27.50
	1600	27.00				
Cathay Land					1000	2.30
Union Brewery					500	14.[illegible]
Power 5½% Debs.					300	90.00
	20000	*90.00				

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Rubber Trust					200	12.40
Ewo Mills (Ord)			75	50.50	25	49.75
	25	50.00	25	50.50		
Dockyards					50	36.25
Textile					300	9.90
Worsted					60	7.00
Yangtsze Finance			200	19.90	300	*19.70
I. I. Trust			150	28.00	200	28.75

*—Direct Business.

British Commodities

Thursday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 30.

The London tin market presented a quiet appearance, with little incentive to purchase except for immediate requirements.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 12 3/16 +1/16; sellers 12 11/16 +1/16; Feb. delivery, buyers 12½ unchanged; sellers 12⅝ unch.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: Jan. 8.20 —3; Mar. 8.29 —3; May 8.31 —3; July 8.32 —3; Egyptian Futures, Giza, F.G.F. No. 7, No. 2 contract: Jan. 11.07 —1; Mar. 11.04 —1; May 11.04 —1; July 11.03 —1.

London Metals: Tin, Standard, cash, middle price £257¼ +⅜; 3 mths, middle price £257⅜ —¼.—Reuter.

London Bullion

London, Jan. 30.

London Gold: Bar, Fine, per oz....168/- unchanged.

London Silver: There was little speculative buying. Business was small. The market ruled quiet, steady. After the official fixing the market remained quiet, without any business passing.

Spot	23¼d.	+1/16d.
Forward	23¼d.	+1/16d.

—Reuter.

N.Y. Exchange Active

New York, Jan. 30.

Trading on the Stock Exchange was moderately active today as prices declined, some fractionally and others by more than two points. Selling was attributed to apprehension regarding the international situation.

The market opened irregularly and weakened after publication of Chancellor Hitler's speech, with particular reference to the Fuehrer's threat to torpedo any American vessels carrying aid to Britain.

Savage Arms Company was down four points, General Steel Castings fell off five points and a number of other issues were off from three to four points.

Wall Street fears increased with the Washington rumour that the Government was planning to "crack down" on industry if the Nazis attempted to invade Britain in an effort to expedite production of munitions and other defence items.

Confirmation that the Army had purchased 4,500,000 tags to identify dead and wounded further accelerated war involvement fears.

If the U.S. enters the war, the market expects prices to break, because of belligerent uncertainties. The market also anticipated higher taxes and greater restrictive prospects in event of U.S. entry.—United Press.

New York Stocks

Thursday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 30.

Stock prices on Wall Street today again closed weak, ranging from fractions to about two points down from yesterday. Hitler's threats against the United States and the imminence of an invasion of the British Isles caused uneasiness amongst operators.

Prices swung widely, but sellers always outnumbered buyers.

The turnover showed an increase today, amounting to 780,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	125.96	123.94	124.05	—1.95
20 Rails	28.64	28.14	28.17	—0.55
15 Utilit.	19.87	19.49	19.53	—0.41
40 Bonds	—	—	91.36	—0.50
11 Commod.	—	—	55.72	—0.10

Jan.	29	30	Jan.	29	30
Adams Exp	6¼	6	Libbey O F	36¼	35
Alg Lud	22	20⅝	Lockheed	24½	24
Allis Chal	32⅞	32½	Loew's	33½	31½
Alum Ltd	*73	71½	Loft Inc	17	16½
Amer Can	89⅜	88	Mack Trks	29½	28½
Am Cyan	33½	33	Martin	27½	27⅜
Am For Pr	1	0⅞	McK & R	25	*24½
.. $7 pfd	17⅝	16⅝	Mont Ward	36⅜	35⅜
Am Loco	14⅝	13½	Mountain	3	3
Am Metal	18¼	18	Nat Avian	9½	9⅜
Am Radtr	6⅝	6⅝	Nat City B	*26¼	*26
Am R Mill	14¼	13⅝	Nat Dairy	13½	13⅜
Am Smelt	41	39	Nat Dist	22½	21½
Am Sug	14¼	14¼	Nat Lead	16⅞	16⅝
Am T & T	165⅜	164⅝	Nat P & L	6⅞	6⅝
Am Tob B	71½	71½	Nat Sup	6	5⅞
Am Wtwrks	6¼	6½	N Y Cent	13½	12½
Anaconda	25	23⅞	Niag Hud	3	3
Atchison	21½	21¼	N A Avian	15½	15¼
Avian Cpn	4⅝	4½	N Am Co	16	16
Bald Loco	16½	15½	N Pacific	6½	6½
Balt & O	3½	3⅜	O I Glass	†45½	45⅞
Barber	9⅜	9½	Pac G & E	28⅜	28⅞
Barns Oil	8½	8½	Pack Motor	3	3
Bendix	36	34⅞	Pan A Air	13½	13½
Beth Steel	82¼	81½	Paramount	11	10¼
Bliss	17⅝	17	Penn R R	22⅞	22¼
Boeing	16⅝	16¼	P & R Coal	*0⅛	0⅛
Borg War	17½	17½	Phil Pet	37	36¼
Briggs	22¼	21⅞	P S of N J	28⅜	28½
Budd Mfg	3⅜	4¼	Pullman	25⅜	24½
Can Pac	3⅝	3⅝	Pure Oil	7½	7⅝
Case J I	54	50	Radio	4⅝	4½
Celanese	25¼	25	Reading	14	13½
Chase N B	*31½	*30⅜	Rem Arms	*5⅜	*5¼
Ches & O	42	41½	Rep Avian	4½	4½
Chrysler	65¼	64⅜	Rep St	19⅝	18⅞
Col G & E	4¾	4⅜	Rev C & B	9⅞	9½
Col Credit	28⅝	28½	Rev Tob B	33½	33½
Com & Sth	0¼	0⅞	Safeway	41	39⅞
Cons Edis	22½	22	Schenley	10½	10½
Cons Oil	5⅝	5⅝	Sears Roeb	73⅜	72½
Cont Can	37½	37½	Shell U Oil	10⅜	10¼
Con Oil	18	18	Soc Vac	9	8⅝
Contl St	16½	16	Sthrn Pac	9½	9
Curtis	8¼	8¼	Sthrn Rly	23½	22
.. "A"	27⅞	27	Spicer	35	32⅞
Deere	20⅜	20¼	Std Brands	6¼	6
Dist Cpn	17½	17	Std G & E	1⅛	1
Douglas	71⅜	70⅞	Std Oil C	19⅛	18⅞
Du Pont	152	150	Std Oil N J	34½	33½
E P Lead	9½	9¼	Stone & W	7⅞	7½
Eaton Mfg	35	33½	Studebaker	7⅜	7
Elec A Lite	30⅜	29⅜	Swift Int	18⅞	18½
Elec B & S	3⅜	3⅜	Technicor	8½	9½
.. $5 pfd	*55	*54⅜	Tex Cpn	37½	37
.. $6 pfd	64	63½	Tex Gulf	37⅜	35⅞
Elec P & L	31	30¼	Timken	30¼	29⅞
Flintkote	13⅜	13½	Transamer	4⅝	4½
Gen A Tr	53⅜	51½	Tw Cent	6½	6½
Gen Elec	33⅜	32⅞	Un B & P	11½	11
Gen Motor	43⅝	43	Un Car	67⅜	65¼
Gen Rly	14	14	Un Pac	80⅜	80
Gen T & R	12	11½	Un A Line	14⅜	14
Glidden	14	13⅜	Un Corp	1½	1½
Goodrich	13⅜	12⅞	.. $3 pfd	26⅜	25
.. $5 pfd	*62	*62	Un Gas	0⅞	0⅞
Goodyear	18	17½	Un G Imp	9½	9½
Gt N I Ore	14½	14	U S Ind	25	24
Gt N Rly	26½	25⅝	U S Rub	21⅜	20½
Gt W Sug	21½	21	.. pfd	90	87½
Greyhound	11½	11½	U S Smelt	62½	60
Her Pow	71	70	U S Steel	64½	63⅜
Homestake	50⅜	50½	Vanadium	30	28⅜
Int Nickel	25½	24	Vultee	6½	6½
Int Paper	12⅜	12⅜	Walworth	5½	5
Int T & T	*2½	*2½	War Br Pic	3½	3½
Johns Man	58½	57	West Elec	96	95½
Kennecott	33	31½	Woodward	30	29½

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	56¼	54
Australia Comm.	60¼	59¾
Balt. & Ohio "A"	42	40⅛
Brazil (U.S. of) 8% 1941	18½	18⅜
,, ,, ,, 6½% 1957	15½	15½
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt.	92½	92½
Erie 5s 1967	18⅝	18¾
Int. Tel. & Tel.	39⅝	38½
New England Gas & Elec.	64¾	64⅞
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	47¼	45⅝*
Stand. Gas. & Elec.	79	78

*Bid. †Ex Div.

Dow-Jones Summary

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Following early attempts to rally, the stock market met with renewed offerings in fair volume, resulting in declines almost as broad as on Wednesday. Hitler's renewed threats, plus the growing belief that the Axis was about ready to embark upon an all-out assault on England, was believed to be the principal reason for the selling, but fears over increased Government regulation of business and rising taxes were also factors. Bethlehem Steel for the fourth quarter earned $4.32 net per share, which was better than expected.

Stocks:—The lack of rallying tendencies suggests further weakness, but chances of a temporary technical rally will develop soon, especially if the Dow-Jones Industrial Average reaches the 120 to 123 area.

STATISTICS

	Week Ended 25/1	Week Ended 18/1
Department of Labour's wholesale commodity price index	80.8	80.6
Carloadings (Assoc. of Amer. Railroads')	711,000	700,000
	(cars)	

EARNINGS

Stocks	Period	1940	1939
Safeway Stores	Yr. 31/12	$4.76	$6.61
Copperweld Steel	Yr. 31/12	1.99	2.05
Bethlehem Steel	Qr. 31/12	4.32	3.74

Dividends:—Bethlehem Steel $1.50 payable on March 4 to stockholders on record as of February 11.

Cotton:—The market ruled steady. Government textile orders are expected in volume around March/April, while demand for gray goods continues to be active.

Wheat:—The absence of flour buying and renewed uneasiness over excess stocks encouraged liquidation.

Corn:—The Government offer to sell 75,000,000 bushels on the basis of 69 cents in Chicago disturbed longs, while offerings have increased.

Rubber:—Held firm on dealer absorption of March and May.

Hides:—Moved lower in sympathy with securities, but the futures market was cheap relative to the expected level of spot sales.

Sugar No. 4:—Stagnant conditions continued to prevail.

Dec. Rubber Outputs

	lb.
Padang Rubber Co., Ltd.	38,700
Consolidated Rubber Estates Ltd.	105,64[illegible]
S'hai Kedah Plantations, Ltd.	91,8[illegible]
Bute Plantations Ltd.	65,866
Tanah Merah Estates (1913) Ltd.	106,000
Dominion Rubber Co., Ltd.	62,454
S'hai Pahang Rubber Estate, Ltd.	49,3[illegible]
Sungei Duri Rubber Estate, Ltd.	53,000
Kota Bahroe Rubber Estates Ltd.	88,532
Anglo-Dutch (Java) Plant., Ltd.	159,8[illegible]
Anglo-Java Estates, Ltd.	318,1[illegible]
Java Consolidated Rubber & Coffee Estates, Ltd.	81,350
Kroewoek (Java) Plant., Ltd. ..	111,773
Ziangbe Rubber Co., Ltd.	117,726

Steel Mills Output

Pittsburgh, Jan. 30.

The magazine "Iron Age" estimated yesterday that the steel industry this week is operating at 97 per cent. of mill capacity, off 2 per cent. from last week and up 20 per cent. from the corresponding week in 1940.

The magazine said U.S. defence orders were increasing and that some gains over December figures were as much as 15 per cent.—United Press.

London Stocks

Thursday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 30.

Conditions on the London Stock Exchange were generally listless today, with a slight downward drift recorded near the close in industrials on provincial offerings, in Kaffirs and in home rails.

British gilt-edged securities ruled steady, while oils presented an irregular appearance, with Trinidad issues and Anglo-Iranians moving slightly higher and others inclined to be easier.

Among foreign bonds, some Japanese issues were offered.—Reuter.

Jan.	29	30
U.K. LOANS		
3½% War Loan (Red.)	£103⅞	103⅜
3% Defence Loan	101¼	101¼
CHINESE LOANS		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	44	44
4½% Anglo-French Loan	42—47	42—47
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	26	26
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	34	34
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	10	10
5% Honan Rly., 1905	16	16
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	15	15
5% ,, ,, ,, (Ger. Is.)	13	13
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	14	14
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	16	16
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	15	15
5% ,, ,, G.	15	15
5% ,, ,, (Supl. Loan) B.	15	15
5% ,, ,, (Supl. Loan) G.	15	15
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	13	13
5% Chinese Imp. Rly.	47	47
JAPANESE BONDS		
5% Sterling Loan, 1907	21	21
6% Sterling Loan, 1924	23½	24
BANKS AND INSURANCE		
Chartd. Bank of I A & C.	8¾	8¾
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	79	80
,, ,, ,, (Col. Reg.)	85 N	85 N
Mercantile Bank of India	11⅛	11⅛
National Bank of India	31½	31½
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	20	20
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIALS		
Bristol Aeroplane	10/1½	10/1½
British American Tobacco	93/9	93/9
Dunlop Rubber	34/3	33/9
Imp. Chem. Industries	30/-	29/10½
United Steel	22/9	22/10½
Woolworths	56/3	56/3
MINES		
Chinese Eng. & Min.	18/-	18/-
Chosen Corp.	4/-	4/-
Marsman Investments	7/6	7/6
Pekin-Syndicate	1/6	1/6
Sub-Nigel	150/6	150/6
Western Holdings	10/3	10/3
MISCELLANEOUS		
Great Western Rly.	34¾	34¾
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	15/7½	15/7½
London, Midland & Scot.	13⅞	13⅞
S'hai Elec. Construction	15/-	15/-
S'hai Waterworks "A"	13¼	13¼
Shell Transport & Trad.	44/4½	43/9

U.S. Commodities

Thursday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 30.

The cotton market early advanced moderately on covering by shorts and speculative buying, and later the advance was further accelerated on "spot" house buying, while reports of favourable textile sales also aided sentiment. At the close, quotations ranged from 3 to 4 points up from the previous final levels.

Raw rubber futures continued to hold firm, as trade and factory interests again came out as buyers, while the Government Reserve company also absorbed offerings. At the last call over, gains from 15 to 19 points were recorded.

A further downward slide of prices in the Chicago Wheat Pit was again witnessed today, with the same bearish factors overhanging the market. At the final bell, losses from ⅜ to ¾ cent. were registered.—Reuter.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber		
Mar.	10.35-36	+04	Mar.	19.80-80	+19
May	10.36-38	+03	May	19.65-65	+15
July	10.23 N.	+03	July	(N.C.)	
Oct.	9.72-73	+04		19.55 N.	+15
Dec.	9.68-68	+04	Sept.	(N.C.)	
Jan.	9.64 N.	+03		19.45 N.	+15

N. Y. Sugar No. 3			N. Y. Sugar No. 4		
Mar.	1.99-2.00 unch. B/A		Mar.	0.73-73½	—½ B/A
May	2.05-06	+01 B/A	May	0.76½-77 unch. B/A	

Chicago Wheat			Chicago Corn		
May	82⅜-82½	—⅜	May	61⅜-61½	—⅜
July	76⅜-76½	—¾	July	61¾-61⅞	—⅜

New York Silk No. 1

Mar. 2.48½B-50A —½

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

American Exports And Imports Up

New York, Jan. 31.

United States exports and imports during 1940 totalled $4,022,000,000 and $2,625,000,000 respectively. These figures were 27 and 13 per cent. respectively above the figures for 1939.

The increases were due to bigger shipments to Britain and a larger volume of trade with Latin America. The gains were concentrated in manufactured articles, while agricultural exports in the latter part of 1940 were the lowest since 1869.—Reuter.

Commodity Index

Washington, Jan. 31.

The Department of Labour's all-commodity index of wholesale prices during the week which ended January 23 advanced .2 per cent. to 80.8 per cent. of the 1926 average.

This was compared to 80.6 per cent. for the week which ended January 16 and 79.1 per cent. for the corresponding week in 1940.—United Press.

Oil Production Down

New York, Jan. 30.

The American Petroleum Institute announced yesterday that oil production last week averaged 3,599,100 barrels daily. The total was 12,800 barrels less than the preceding week's production and 12,500 barrels less than production for the corresponding week in 1940.—United Press.

Electricity Production

New York, Jan. 30.

The Edison Electric Institute reported yesterday that production of electricity last week totalled 2,729,959,000 kilowatt hours. This was 14,003,000 kilowatt hours less than the preceding week's production, but 264,001,000 kilowatt hours more than production for the corresponding week in 1940.—United Press.

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SHANGHAI, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1941 (6th day of 1st moon)

TO-DAY'S WEATHER PROBABILITIES

Fine and very cold weather with strong monsoon over Shantung. Snow over the Yellow Sea and Korea. Fine, very cold to cloudy with fresh to strong monsoon over our regions and the China Coast. Rainy over the Eastern Sea with strong northerly monsoon.

	At Cathedral	At Siccawei
Temperature yesterday	min. 36.5 max. 44.0	min. 23.7 max. 44.8
„ same date last year	min. 33.0 max. 42.0	min. 32.7 max. 42.8

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Personal announcements in this column, $15 per insertion, including insertions in the NORTH-CHINA HERALD.

To-day's Events $4 per line, which includes all insertions till date of event.

DEATHS

CORBETT.—On Thursday, January 30, 1941, at The Country Hospital, Shanghai, RICHARD AIDAN, aged 1 year and 10 months, the dearly-beloved younger son of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Corbett. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services will be held today, Saturday, February 1, 1941, at the Bubbling Well Cemetery at 4 p.m. 10559

ZEE QUAN YUEN.—On January 31, 1941, at his home, 42 Taiwan Road, Mr. ZEE QUAN YUEN, aged 76 years. Removed to the parlours of An Loh Funeral Home, 496 Wuting Road (near Seymour Road). Funeral services will be held on Sunday, February 2, 1941, in the parlour at 2 p.m. -1529

BLAKE.—On Friday, January 31, 1941, at Shanghai, WILLIAM FRANCIS BLAKE, (The China Engineers Ltd.) aged 47 years, the dearly beloved husband of Jeanne and father of Joyce. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services will be held at the Hungjao Road Cemetery on Monday, February 3, 1941, at 4 p.m. (Hongkong papers please copy.) 10576

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TO-DAY'S EVENTS

FEBRUARY

1 Betar Anni Sports Dance, Masonic Hall
1 Ballet Russe and Municipal Orchestra, Lyceum theatre 9.15
1 Emperor of Manchoukuo's birthday (1906)
1 Britain recognized Soviet (1924)

COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

2 S'hai Municipal Orchestra Lyc. 5.15
2 Christian Science Broadcast XMHA 6.30
2 Ballet Russe and Municipal Orchestra, Lyceum Matinee 2.15, evening 9.15.
3 American Junior Chamber Commerce - Chinese Language classes Introductory Lecture by Dr. Reifler
3 Engineering Society Meeting 5.45 p.m.
4 British United Services Association, Monthly tiffin. "The Dome' 12.30 p.m.
4 Bridge-Mahjong in aid of St. Olga's Orphanage Y.M.C.A. 2.30-7 p.m.
7 Mr. K. A. Persen broadcast XMHA, 9
10 American Junior Chamber Commerce Chinese Language Classes begin to-day
12 Cathedral School Old Boys Ass. Annual Meeting. 39 Myburgh Rd. 5.30 p.m.
13 R. L. Op. "Les Cloches de Corneville" Lyc. 8.15
13 Royal Asiatic Society: Mr. E. Kann on "Chinese Carved Ivories" 5.30 p.m.
16 Christian Science Broadcast XMHA 6.30
28 Special Soiree, in aid of St. Tichon's Orphanage, French Club 9.30 p.m.

NOTICE

Owing to a heavy increase in operating costs, we, the undersigned NEWS AND SOCIAL PHOTOGRAPHERS, are reluctantly compelled to announce that commencing to-day, Saturday, February 1, 1941, our prices will be as follows:

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Saturday	February 1
Monday	„ 3
Tuesday	„ 4
Wednesday	„ 5

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Further information may be obtained from the Treasurer, Administration Building. 10567

SYDNEY HORROBIN *otherwise* SIDNEY HORROBIN *otherwise* SIDNEY LEIGH HORROBIN *otherwise* SYDNEY LEIGH HORROBIN
Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 that all persons having claims or demands upon or against the Estate of SIDNEY LEIGH HORROBIN, late of the Shanghai Club, Shanghai, China, who died on the 11th day of February 1940 at Shanghai aforesaid are hereby requested to send in writing particulars of their claims or demands to the undersigned on or before the 5th day of April 1941 AND that after such date the undersigned will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the persons entitled thereto having regard only to claims and demands of which the undersigned shall then have had notice and will not be answerable for the assets so distributed or any part thereof to any person of whose claim or demand the undersigned shall not then have had notice.

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Legal Practitioners for ARTHUR-ERNEST SEDDON the Attorney of Arthur Horrobin and Ernest Horrobin the Executors of the Estate of the above-named deceased.

Shanghai, February 1, 1941.
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TENTH HUNT—OPEN HUNT

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3 p.m.

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FINISH—Will be announced after the Hunt has started. White Paper will be laid.

J. H. LIDDELL,
Master, S.P.H.C.

Shanghai, February 1. 1941.
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C. D. LONGHURST,
Secretary and Comptroller

Shanghai, January 22, 1941.
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By Order of the Stewards,

A. W. OLSEN,
Secretary.
Shanghai Race Club

Shanghai, January 24, 1941. 10524

SHANGHAI RACE CLUB

NOTICE

Voting Members willing to serve either as Stewards or on the General Committee or on the Balloting Committee for the ensuing year are requested to forward their names to the undersigned before noon on Thursday, February 6, 1941.

By Order of the Stewards,

A. W. OLSEN,
Secretary,
Shanghai Race Club.

Shanghai, January 24, 1941.
10530

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, SHANGHAI BRANCH.

Our Head Office advise that by order of the Board of Directors, their Register of Shares will be closed from 13th to 26th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be effected.

As all transfers of shares on the Shanghai Register have to be effected in Hongkong, it is essential that all applications for transfer reach this Office not later than 1st February next.

A. S. HENCHMAN,
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Shanghai, January 15, 1941.
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WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

Meteorological Reports	Jan. 30 16.00	Jan. 30 21.00	Jan. 31 4.00	Jan. 31 9.00
Barometer (inches)	30.43	30.49	30.55	30.35
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.15	+0.17	+0.14	+0.17
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	+0.02	+0.03	+0.12	+0.14
Wind (direction)	N	NE	NW	W
„ (miles per hour)	7.4	10.6	3.7	5.6
Temperature (Fahr.)	39.0°	32.4°	25.5°	33.1°
Humidity (per cent)	45	65	93	85
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	2	0	0	0
Rainfall (inches)	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report Jan. 30	Mean 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.45	+0.14	30.30
Temp. min. 26.4° Mrx. 44.6°	35.4°	—4.0°	37.2°
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	30.1	—	1.88

Time and Tide	1/2	2/2	3/2	4/2	5/2	6/2	7/2
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.47	6.47	6.46	6.45	6.44	6.44	6.43
Sun sets at Shanghai	17.28	17.29	17.30	17.31	17.32	17.32	17.33
Moon rises at Shanghai	9.24	9.58	10.32	11.08	11.46	12.28	13.14
Moon sets at Shanghai	21.58	22.51	23.43	—	0.36	1.28	2.20
Flood makes Shai. (day)	13.56	14.18	14.50	15.35	16.30	17.34	5.50
Ebb makes Shai. (day)	6.16	6.46	7.20	8.00	8.54	10.25	12.13
H.W. W'sung Bar (day)	15.19	15.45	16.28	17.20	5.39	7.31	9.18
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	7.55	7.30	7.45	6.70	6.22	6.82	7.33

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 30th:—High and rising pressure over China. Depression crossing north Japan east-north-eastward. Strong winter monsoon along the China Coast. Fine, colder, locally cloudy weather.

State on the morning of the 31st:—Fine, cold weather with hoar frost. Westerly breezes. Pressure very high and steady.—Siccawei Observatory.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

(See top of page, right)

The following times apply to the Head Post office Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

SATURDAY, February 1.	Reg.	Ord.
Tsingtao and Dairen	*20.00	7.15
Hongkong and Canton	*20.00	8.00
Manila	8.30	9.00
Weihaiwei Chefoo & Tientsin	9.30	10.00
Shenkiamen and Tinghai	9.30	10.00
Swatow	11.30	12.00
Australia and New Zealand	11.30	12.30
Hongkong and Canton	12.00	12.30
Amoy Swatow and Canton	x 13.30	14.00
Indo-China	A 15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	19.30	20.00
Formosa via Keelung	20.00	20.00
SUNDAY, February 2.		
Shenkiamen and Tinghai.	9.30	10.00
Hongkong and Canton	10.00	10.00
Nantung	10.00	15.15
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
MONDAY, February 3.		
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
Manila	15.30	20.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	18.30	20.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 12.00 on 1st.
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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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Lost

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NOTICE is hereby given that Godown Warrant No. 434 of December 8. 1933, issued by the American Securities Corporation of Shanghai in the name of the late Charles E. Metzler, has been lost and is hereby declared null and void. January 31, 1941, Shanghai. Mrs. C. E. Metzler. -1443

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